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Grade 2 students show the uniforms of Havergal, Rupert's Land, Riverbend and Balmoral Hall Schools at an assembly in October.

l-r: Marissa Fernando, Lauren Menzie, Emily Quinton and Jennifer Horch



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Congratulations to all Prefects!

Prefects

- Head Girl – Jennifer Yamamoto
- School Captain – Katie Brownell
- Sports Captain – Abbie Bajan
- Arts – Andrea Mancini
- Service Learning – Carla Goncalo
- Residence – Rayna Beaubien
- Student Affairs – Anna Penner
- Ballater House Head – Kelsey Mills
- Braemar House Head – Carla Pienaar
- Craig Gowan House Head – Anna AbouZeid
- Glen Gairm House Head – Sarah Gravelines

Middle School Prefects

- Head Girl – Lana Belton
- School Captain – Elizabeth Dickson
- Ballater House Head – Kaitlin Briggs
- Braemar House Head – Jaime Rosin
- Craig Gowan House Head – Brittany Cawson
- Glen Gairm House Head – Stephanie Alatiotis

Junior School Prefects

- Head Girl – Claire Lefevre
- Vice Heads – Jessica Michalski & Ainsley Pratt
- Library – Anna Robinson
- Computer – Mila Panaskevich
- Yearbook – Michelle Stacey
- Ballater House Head – Marfisia Bel
- Braemar House Head – Cathy Guyot
- Craig Gowan House Head – Shereen Samimi
- Glen Gairm House Head – Teresa Kennedy

Balmoral Hall, a leading, contemporary all-girls school, is committed to a tradition of academic excellence. We educate, encourage and empower our girls and young women to achieve their personal best.

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Front cover:

left: Students Laura Chin (1), Erin Danylchuk (5), Jamie DesJarlais (7), Kathleen Hester (1) and Anjali Sandhu (3) show off their BH smiles.

right: 2000-2001 Middle/Senior School Prefects stand proudly on the steps of Aikins House.

Claire Sumerlus, Head of School

...and we're off! School is back in full swing, and we are looking forward to a challenging and rewarding year. We have made many exciting changes over the last year and are confident that this will be one of Balmoral Hall School's best years ever.

Throughout its history, Balmoral Hall has been a caring community dedicated to supporting each girl's achievements. Inspired by the English model, centuries old, where students and staff lived and learned together, our House System continues today to build community through a variety of house activities. Again this year, new students and staff were placed into one of four houses when they entered the School and received a pin to show their affiliation to that house. The House System has evolved over time and provides a structure where students from Kindergarten to Senior 4 join together in a variety of activities and are recognized for their collective achievements.

One of our main focuses this year, the "M.E.R.I.T. Portfolio Program" (Maximizing Enrichment by Recognizing the Interests and Talents of our students) builds on the traditions of our House System and focuses on the future of our young women. Balmoral Hall has expanded its House System to celebrate collective and individual achievements of our young women. The M.E.R.I.T. Portfolio Program is designed to demonstrate successes, higher order thinking, creativity, and reflection. It is meant to be an exhibition of an active mind at work.

The common base for our program is the vision of a well rounded global education with six broad goals that will prepare young women for the next century.

1. Academics
 2. Arts
 3. Athletics
 4. Participation in School Life
 5. Personal Management/Leadership
 6. Social Responsibility/Global Awareness
- This base provides a consistent foundation from which academics and personal development can grow.

The M.E.R.I.T. Portfolio Program continues the House System's tradition of honouring and celebrating students' interests, talents, and learning styles. This is done through a personal portfolio that recognizes the individual achievements of our young women.

Junior School portfolios focus on the total talents of each student by recognizing their effort and participation. Middle School portfolios focus more on the integrated approach to learning. Students participate in special projects that are relevant to their curriculum. Senior School portfolios take on a more worldly focus acknowledging the skills, attitudes, and actions needed to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

Each portfolio provides evidence of learning by demonstrating each girl's special ability to succeed and lead. Each student's achievements are then recorded in their M.E.R.I.T. Portfolio with their goals for personal development and learning. Selected work samples are included in the portfolio demonstrating their excellence in learning, their involvement in school life and their commitment to service.

As we leap into the future, we have not forgotten our traditions and roots. **Meliora Petens reminds us we are always in search of better things.** We have a responsibility to provide our students with a complete education that encourages them to develop skills in "learning how to relate to people, learning how to learn, and learning how to choose." Our hope is for all students to become lifelong learners. Indeed, the past and future are both on our minds at Balmoral Hall School.



Head of School

Middle School Awards – June 2000

Grade 7 Awards

English – Jaime Rosin
French – Kaitlin Briggs, Simmie Globerman & Jaime Rosin
Mathematics – Hayly Smerchanski
Science – Paloma Corrin & Jaime Rosin
Social Studies / History – Vanessa Mancini

Grade 8 Awards

English – Brenna McGregor & Kyla Caners
French – Ashley McGregor & Kyla Caners
Mathematics – Kyla Caners
Science – Kyla Caners
Social Studies / History – Jennifer Dyck-Sprout

Athletic Award

Kristine Wilson

Barbara Honey Award

Student of exemplary character, with high academic standing, who shows qualities of commitment and dedication to the full life of BH.
Kyla Caners

Debating/Public Speaking Award

Kyla Caners

Jas. A. Dowler Award

Overall excellence in Mathematics.
Jennifer Dyck-Sprout

Performing Arts Award

Kyla Caners

Rosemary Gordon Condo Library Award

Valuable assistance to the School Library.
Kristine Wilson

Senior School Awards – June 2000

A.J. Casson Award for Art

Highest academic standing in art.
Vanessa Goodfellow

Athletic Award

Abbie Bajon

Barbara Honey Award

Student of exemplary character, with high academic standing, who shows qualities of commitment and dedication to the full life of Balmoral Hall.
Anna AbouZeid

Clare McCulloch Award for Creative Art

Displays creative artistic abilities for any school project.
Sarah Coates & Cindy Hnatyshyn

Clare McCulloch Memorial (French)

Candice Donnelly

Debating/Public Speaking Award

Anna Penner

Eliza Drewry Award

Highest standing in Senior 4.
Candice Donnelly

Elizabeth Patton Memorial Shield

Demonstrates qualities of leadership, dependability, friendliness and courtesy, and is a conscientious worker, taking part in games and rendering service to the School in all its activities.
Erin Palmer

G. Harold Aikins Award

Humanities – Candice Donnelly
Sciences – Jen Nyhof

G. Murrell-Wright Residence Award

Returning resident student who has contributed significantly to life in the Residence.
Tina Chiang

Our New Middle School is M.A.G.I.C.

by Jackie Copp, Director of Middle School and Curriculum JK-S4

The 2000-01 school year marks a new beginning for Balmoral Hall's Middle School with the Grade 6 students joining the Grade 7 & 8's. The M.A.G.I.C. in Middle School is in our design of a comprehensive, balanced, and interrelated academic program. Here, our students can develop the confidence and self-esteem they need to make wise choices and to evaluate information critically within a safe and supporting environment. Individual talents can be nurtured and students can begin to relate the experiences of the classroom to the realities of the world around them. It is in this stimulating environment that our young women make the connections they need academically, socially, and emotionally to continue as successful learners.

The Middle School program utilizes a team approach to support and guide students as they make the transition from the security of Junior School to the independence inherent in the more specialized approach of Senior School. Our teaching team gradually introduces the students to the different subject specialists while at the same time providing homeroom advisors for each student. This promotes a more coherent and personalized approach to teaching which connects students not only to their teachers but creates a learning community where students from all over the world can join together in an educational environment that encourages effort and excellence.

Our Middle School promotes a global educational program that uses the philosophy of the International Baccalaureate to build its curriculum model. While insisting on the thorough study of various academic subjects, Balmoral Hall's Middle School accentuates the interdependence of all subject areas and advances a broader view of a well rounded education. We focus on developing the students' approaches to learning such as getting organized and participating actively in the learning process. This focus on student centered learning is at the heart of our educational philosophy and is embedded within and across all the subject areas.

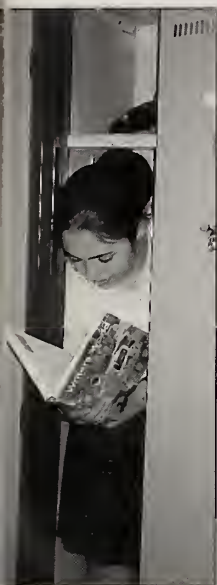
Students are prepared for the skills that they need for the Manitoba curriculum and for the Senior School Advanced Placement Program, as well as other curriculum frameworks from around the world. At each level, students encounter challenging activities which build on their previous knowledge. Each of the subjects addresses all dimensions of learning, including knowledge/understanding, thinking skills, communication and application. Technology is integrated into all of the subject areas through our multimedia lab, IBM lab and our Alpha Smart (introductory laptop) program.

Balmoral Hall's Middle School is an exciting and enthusiastic hub of activity. Students are actively involved in all aspects of school life whether it be in the academic program, clubs, community service projects, sports teams, or house activities. There are many leadership experiences as well as opportunities to enter more fully into the excitement of the arts.

Our hope is that our Middle School students will gain a respect for tradition and school history and a love of learning that will prepare them for the future.

Maximizing Advanced learning with arts education for Girls in an Integrated Curriculum

IN OUR NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL



Grade 6 students were asked to comment on the new Middle School. Here is what some of the girls said:

"It's like being on a fast-moving river. You don't have time to think about anything, you just have to do it."

Brittany Siemens

"There's a special feeling around Middle School that I can't capture. I think it's the start of a new beginning."

Merriam Grieve

"Middle School is a good way to make me feel that I have responsibility. Thank you for Middle School!"

Shannon Bahuau

"Middle School is really fun. It makes you feel like you're not at school, you're at camp!"

Kathryn Marcynuk

"Middle School is very different than Junior School. We get to join the 'big kids,' wear the pullover sweater, go to the canteen and go to the 3rd floor computer lab. Very cool!"

Lauren Wilton

"Middle School is like a time warp. In Junior School you're just little, and in Middle School you're growing up."

Margo Chia

"Middle School is active and lively. It's great for adventure and change, and I'm going to love it!"

Robin Jacuzzi

"It's wonderful. I was really really looking forward to it and now I'm here! I'm going to enjoy it while it lasts."

Katie Langrell



"In Middle School I think we have a lot of responsibilities. We also have a lot to remember and lots of work to do."

Kira Keating

"Middle School makes you feel proud."

Katie Moore



Photos are of our Grade 8 students, reading books in all areas of the school campus.

Governor General's Canadian History Medal for the Millennium
Simmie Bhullar, Senior 3

Governor General's Medal

The Bronze Medal is presented to the student who graduates with the highest academic standing.
Candice Donnelly

History (UK) Alumnae Award

Highest standing in Senior 1.
Heather Ingo

Jacqueline Anderson Award

Outstanding sportsmanship and leadership in sports.
Maegan Rutherford

Jas. A. Dowler Award

Overall excellence in Mathematics.
Candice Donnelly & Dawn Shanski

Jessie May Carter Riverbend Award

For outstanding progress in languages.
Jennifer Skerritt

Julia M. Adamson Canadian History Award

Highest standing in Senior 3 History.
Simmie Bhullar

Julia M. Adamson Foundation Award

Superior standing in a variety of Social Studies courses.
Candice Donnelly

Julia M. Adamson Memorial Award

For best history essay.
Senior 1 – Laura Penner
Senior 3 – Elizabeth McFadden

M. Cole Davis Department Award

Student who reveals a high degree of responsibility and dependability in several areas of school life.
Cindy Hnatyshyn

Member of Parliament Canadian Student Award

Contribution to the community, student leadership, academic excellence and involvement in student government.
Sarah Coates

N. Thomas Russell Award

Awarded for leadership by example.
Erin Palmer

Nora Lansky Memorial Award

Above average progress in mastering English as a second language.
Mizuho Sugiyama & Tapanee Thanphencharti

Pacific Award

Senior high student who has shown potential as a leader and a scholar.
Georgia Louridas

Performing Arts Award

GINNY KOREMAN

Rosemary Gordon Condo Memorial Award

Student who is recognized for her qualities of kindness and consideration for others.
Kelly Tse

Sir James Aikins Memorial House Trophy

Highest aggregate of points for sports and intra-mural activities, Middle and Senior School.
Ballater

Steven B. Fejes Volunteer of the Year Award

Student from Grade 6 to Senior 4 who has demonstrated exemplary volunteer commitment.
Carissa Nikkel

University of Manitoba Chown Centennial Award

Student with a minimum average of 85% of at least 5 credits at the third level and who registers at the U of M for a full study program.
Erin Palmer

University of Toronto National Book Award

Candice Donnelly

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NEW AWARDS PRESENTED IN JUNE

The **Steven B. Fejes Volunteer of the Year Award** was established in memory of Mr. Fejes who passed away on July 1, 1999 while volunteering. This award was presented by his daughter Meghan '04 at closing exercises in June 2000 to Carissa Nikkel '02.

Steven was a man who passionately loved his family but also nurtured another passion, helping others. He always seemed to be volunteering to do something. Many organizations benefited from Steven's involvement including BH, where he served as a judge for a number of debating tournaments or flipped burgers at the Yahoo BBQ. He volunteered with the Winnipeg International Air Show, the United Way, cycled to raise funds for different charities, danced with the Dancing Dads or simply helped around his community. We thank his family for this award.

This year also marked the introduction of the **Agnes Stewart Christensen Memorial Award and Scholarship**. The award honours one of our student's great grandmother who was an active highland dancer during her youth. Shelby Small (granddaughter) is currently in Grade 3 and presented the award at Closing Exercises in June.

Four dancers were chosen based on various school and highland dance criteria and the winner was drawn randomly from among them. The award was presented to its first recipient, Laura Wiebe, now in Grade 6.

Distinguished Speaker

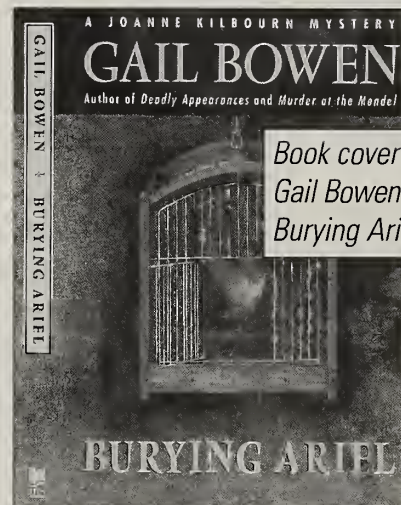


Recently, BH was fortunate to have a visit from author **Gail Bowen** who spoke to a group of Senior 2-4 students. BH was chosen as Mrs. Bowen's only

school visit in Winnipeg on her cross-country tour to promote her 11th novel. An English Professor at the University of Regina and award winning author, six books of which have become made for TV movies, Gail Bowen has turned her talents to the stage with her rendition of Peter Pan (with Fred Penner as Captain Hook) which will premiere at MTYP this December in Winnipeg.

Mrs. Bowen told her audience that her life changed dramatically when she began to say yes to challenges that formally

daunted her. Her career advice to the girls was "to follow your heart. Instead of always going with my strengths, I was encouraged by others to try forms of writing I thought I couldn't do and that expanded my career, movies and travel." Mrs. Bowen's books are now on the Canadian English curriculum in many jurisdictions across Canada.



Book cover of Gail Bowen's 11th novel, *Burying Ariel*.

Highland Dance

Last November, dancers participated in the amateur Medal Test examinations with all dancers successfully passing their levels. They performed various traditional and choreographed dances in the Spring Highland Variety Concert and at the Cultural Day Assembly in March. Most of the dancers also attended a Highland Dance "fun and fellowship" workshop at Camp

Arnes in April. All of these events provide students the opportunity to showcase their hard work.

This year, over sixty enthusiastic Balmoral Hall students are enjoying another exciting year of Highland Dance at the School, taught by Gaelyn McGregor.



Highland Dancers at BH

Memories of past years fill eyes with happy tears

On May 27th, 2000, Balmoral Hall School held a reception to honour retiring staff, Mrs. Phyllis Ilvasky, Mrs. Carol Wright, and Mrs. Dorothy Bohonos. It was a tribute to three remarkable women, who represent over one half a century of dedication, commitment and service. They provided Balmoral Hall with music for the soul, food for thought and Kindergarten for everything important in life!



Helen Black & Phyllis

Phyllis Ilvasky was best known for her many musical productions, her wonderful choirs and being delighted at children finding their tone! Her education included her attendance at Goodwill High School in Grunthal, Manitoba and Goshen College in Goshen, Indiana, where she earned her BA. She then attended Normal School in 1955 and later the University of Manitoba where she earned her B.Ed with a Music Major. Phyllis' interests outside of BH included being a member of The Philharmonic Choir and traveling! Gardening, hiking, cooking and a constant pursuit of the Arts are interests that Phyllis will be able to pursue more full-time in her retirement. She has brought incredible happiness to our school with her passion for music and her love of children. Congratulations on your retirement.

Carol Wright is best known for her wonderful meals in our Dinning Hall, the added touches for special occasions, and most importantly her strength and warmth of spirit. Her kitchen was like Mom's where everyone was welcome to chat or 'snitch' a snack. Carol received her Bachelor of Home Economics of Institutional Administration from the University of Manitoba and later became a Registered Dietitian. Her 'other' life includes crafts, sewing, quilting, and of course, her family and pets. After 11 years at Balmoral Hall, she will be retiring to her beloved cottage at Hillside Beach. We wish her health and happiness in her new life. We will miss her warm heart and wonderful meals!

Dorothy Bohonos is best known for her incredible strength as a Kindergarten teacher for 18 years at Balmoral Hall. She has a wealth of knowledge and experience that can come only with a great love of both teaching and children. Dorothy has touched the lives of many children who often visit her long after their Kindergarten year. Dorothy was educated at both the University of Winnipeg and University of Manitoba, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts and her B. Ed. respectively. She worked in Winnipeg School Division #1 and St. James Assiniboia School Division. Her interests focus on her family, specifically her ever expanding number of grandchildren, and her lake where she is currently building her retirement home. We wish Dorothy well in her future endeavours and will retain fond memories of her years at BH.



Dorothy & Ed Bohonos

The reception included greetings from past and current students, parents, staff, friends and families. The Parent Association sponsored the event with decorations of lilac flowers from the school grounds and refreshments donated by our parent volunteers, all in the theme of an English tea.

One of the highlights was the gift of song to the retirees; the Kindergarten classes with "Friends are Like Flowers" and the Middle & Senior School Ensemble with "We Rise Again." Finally, the Junior School singing "Flying Free" and "Irish Blessing" from the second and third floors of the Atrium certainly captured the hearts of the many observers.

From our BH Family to these three ladies; we wish you health, happiness and a hope that you hold forever in your hearts a very special place for us, as we have for you.



**Kirsten
Gerrard**

**Carol
Wright**

**Christina
Kowalec**

Thank you!

By Tina Alto, Director of Development and Marketing



Mr. & Mrs. Li, daughter Irene, Mrs. Li

In the Fall of 1999, newly appointed Head of School, Claire Sumerlus, was invited to visit our sister school in Shizuoka, Japan. At the same time, a group of international education student recruiters, representing high schools throughout Manitoba, were planning a trip to Hong Kong and Taiwan to promote education opportunities available in Manitoba. Schedule scrambling commenced, alumnae and overseas parents consulted, and in April of 2000 the benefits of a Balmoral Hall education were being shared on the other side of the world.

Colleen McGuinness '67 is one of our committed alumnae who shared with us her expertise acquired after years of organizing trade delegations between Vancouver and China. Through her connections, an introduction was made with representatives of the New Century School located in mainland China, a visitors

visa secured for Claire and a day trip to the school arranged. Colleen went on to educate us on cultural differences to ensure that we were knowledgeable on the formalities this special visit required.

Prior to our arrival in Hong Kong, the Tse Family and daughter Kelly '00 (home for Spring Break) spent hours on the phone tracking down alumnae in Hong Kong. Upon our arrival, Mrs. Tse guided us through our visit and provided translation assistance during our alumnae and parent reception. The Tses shared with prospective families, whom we had met the previous day at the Manitoba Education seminar held at the CEC (Canadian Education Centre), the emotions of sending a daughter to Canada to study and the comfort they felt at having their daughter Kelly study at BH.

This past August, Kelly, our 1999/2000 Residence Prefect, represented Balmoral Hall at another series of seminars offered in Hong Kong by the CEC. She shared stories about her three years in Canada and answered many questions from interested parents and students about our program of study.

We look forward to many more occasions to work with parents and alumnae in sharing the experience of studying at Balmoral Hall. Our trip to Japan, Hong Kong, China and Taiwan was tremendously enriching. We have even stronger ties with many families

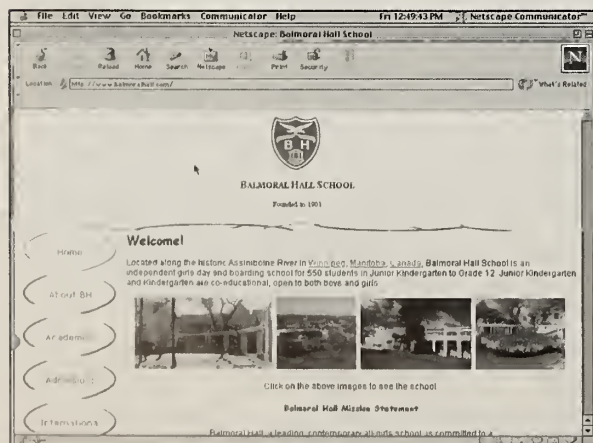
and alumnae because of our travels and are excited by the opportunities these relationships hold for BH and future students.

Throughout our history Balmoral Hall has become a home away from home for hundreds of eager students, some skilled in English and others with only a few words. Some have come for several weeks, others several years. All have been welcomed into our family and many have forged friendships that will last a lifetime.

Every parent wants the very best education for their daughter. Every year we have fewer and fewer spaces available. Balmoral Hall has almost 100 years of experience in providing an excellent education that contributes greatly to a child's future success not just in school but in life. If you know of families considering Balmoral Hall please contact our admissions office or visit our website at www.balmoralhall.com to make the BH Connection.



Mrs. & Mr. Tse with Claire Sumerlus



Stop by Often and Explore

The BH Website has undergone a major face-lift this summer. The new website includes a description of the curriculum, career news for students, admissions information for visitors interested in applying to Balmoral Hall, the history of the School, residence information, a parents page with news and event information, school newsletters like "It's Thursday," alumnae Centennial Reunion information and the new Alumnae E-Mail Directory (see page 25). Visit us at www.balmoralhall.com and see what's new. We'd love to hear from you!

Ohayou gozaimasu...

...means good morning in Japanese. And that is how I began a similar speech I gave at Shizuoka Eiwa Jokakuin School in Japan which I attended for 3 months last year. I knew I wanted to go to Japan the minute I heard about the exchange program with our sister school.

When my flight landed, excitement and nervousness took over as I was thrust into the arms of the Japanese family with whom I'd be staying. Despite their efforts to make me feel at home, I became quite homesick my first week. But as the days went on, things got much better. I started to get the hang of speaking in Japanese and quickly discovered that the way people really talked with each other in Japan is quite different than anything I had learned in class.

Life in Japan was very enjoyable. I became very close to my homestay family and went on wonderful trips to Tokyo and Mount Fuji. I participated in the school's cultural and sports festival with my homestay sister Yuki, and really began to feel like I belonged. I even began to enjoy the new foods like octopus and seaweed. One day, I realized that I could understand a whole conversation between Yuki and her friends.

Now, instead of counting the days until I could go home, I was sad to leave. On my way back to Canada, I looked out the airplane window at the country which had been my home for three months and my thoughts were very different than when I had first arrived. I might not miss the crowded transit buses, having the strictest homeroom teacher at Eiwa or cleaning the school everyday after class, but I do miss the new

friendships I made in Japan. I also realize that I had not only learned to appreciate a completely different way of living, but also to appreciate everything I have here in Canada.

Jennifer Reimer '02



Parents & Alumnae Are Our Greatest Recruiters...Let's Spread the Word!

Open Houses

Balmoral Hall announces its upcoming season of Open Houses:

Thursday, January 25, 2001

Wednesday, April 25, 2001

held from 11:45 – 1:30 P.M. and 4 – 7 P.M.

Today, Balmoral Hall enjoys a strong enrollment as we answer the ever-increasing call from parents for an independent all-girls education. 80% of new students are referred by you.

Invite your friends to discuss our enriched curriculum with our teachers, tour the School and discover the advantages of a girls-only education.

Changes in our Residence

By Tina Chiang '01 & Crystal Li '02

For the new school year of 2000-2001, our residence started with new staff and 23 new students. The new Director is Miss Tracy Smith and the new Assistant Director is Miss Melody Martens. Ms. Heather Welch, Coordinator of Student & Resident Activities is now in charge of the activities for both day and residence students. Rachel Barber is the new GAP student who will be helping out in the school and in the residence.

Many changes were made in the residence building over the summer, including hook-ups for computers, which are linked to the School network and provide access to the Internet. If students have their own laptops/computers they need to have a network card to access this new system. Besides computer hook-ups, we also have a telephone in each room with which local calls and long distance calling card calls can be made.

We are really excited about our new memberships at the Winnipeg Winter Club. We can use the facilities (weight room, swimming pool, tennis court, etc.) whenever we want and we can take lessons there as well. Other activities, like horseback riding and learning to dance are under way as well.

The biggest change of all is the cafeteria. Over the summer they changed our dining hall into a real cafeteria. All the facilities are new with some new faces among the familiar ones in the kitchen.

We look forward to the new school year.





Ya-hoo Bar-B-Q



Erin Palmer '00 and Sami Jo Small

An excerpt of the Valedictory Address

by Head Girl Erin Palmer '00

It is a pleasure and honour to stand before you today! Every graduate of 2000 is at a special moment in her life...successfully completing one chapter and beginning a new and exciting one. This beautiful group of young women have been together through thick and thin, good and bad, and joy and sorrow. Each experience has helped us grow into the diverse, passionate and determined individuals that we are!

The lessons and experiences we have had at BH will give us a connection with each

other for the rest of our lives. Our fellow students have also made this school year truly memorable...you are the BH spirit!

The teachers have gone above and beyond the call of duty. To all the Staff, thanks for the flags flown, lessons taught, teams coached, help when the machine ate our quarters – thank you for brightening our days.

To our family and loved ones; thank you for making sure we're on the right track and doing our best! Finally, to our graduating class...you have taught me so much! Your opinions and strengths have collectively contributed to a wonderful experience at BH!

"Do not follow where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." →

Never Forget Your Roots

An except of Sami Jo Small's address at Closing Exercises

I am the goaltender for Canada's national hockey team that just recently won a World Championship, but I am not just a goaltender or a hockey player. I am also an engineer, a painter, an advocate, a daughter, a teacher, a student and a girlfriend, just as you are not just graduates of Balmoral Hall. Take a philosophy class, learn to sew, learn to work with sheet metal, learn to dance, expand your horizons for it is in doing what you are not gifted at that you truly learn about yourself.

I was offered a track and field scholarship at Stanford University immediately after high school. Suddenly surrounded by students who had done well in high school, I was no longer a big fish in a small pond, but rather a small fish in a huge sea. Shortly

into my school year, a nagging shoulder injury forced me to the sidelines. Life is going to throw you a lot of obstacles along the way. For me, it was this arm injury that contained my dreams and made me step back. In retrospect, the injury was a good thing. It allowed me to rediscover hockey.

On a layover in Calgary, I stopped and visited some high school friends. We found ourselves at a local hockey rink where I was spotted by the right people, followed by an invitation to join Team Canada at their camp in preparation for the Olympics. In a matter of hours, I had to decide whether to return to the safety of my scholarship, or forgo the academic year to live out any hockey player's dream.

The Olympics were amazing! I can now say that nothing is too big to dream about. Whether it is the Olympics, the moon, or Carnegie Hall, continue to dream!

Like you, I was fortunate to have graduated from a small institution. After so many years, it was really hard to say goodbye, but six years later, despite living all over the globe, some of my best friends are those from high school. Not everyone has had the opportunities that you have had, and with that comes responsibility. A responsibility to understand the world, to be sympathetic to those less fortunate, and to be future leaders of this great country.

Never forget your roots and what has shaped you. Now go and leave your mark on the world. Balmoral Hall will always be a part of you.



An excerpt of the address by Claire Sumerlus, Head of School – June 15, 2000



At Balmoral Hall School we believe that students must become life long learners. We have been focusing on teaching students the skills of "Learning How to Learn," "Learning How to Relate," and "Learning How to Choose." We have also defined excellence as the "habit of self assessment and self improvement."

these different systems), and judgement skills. At Balmoral Hall we provide an environment that fosters these perceptions and skills and are confident our graduates have learned these valuable lessons.

G. Murrell-Wright, the first Headmistress of Balmoral Hall School (1950) and deacon of the Anglican Church had these words to say to a graduating class:

"I could be thinking of world leaders at a Summit Conference, of those who have set the pace in various aspects of scientific discovery; of leaders in the field of art, music or literature, but...it seems best to speak about our leaders. My thoughts are not limited to our prefects, class presidents, team captains, etc. It is not easy to be a good leader. Too often it involves a struggle between principle and popularity, but a real leader will hold fast to that which is good even if the road is rough. I commend you girls who have faced the challenge of leadership this year and feel confident that your experiences will prove useful.

Many of you seniors are realizing that you have reached the top of the school ladder and must step soon with confidence I hope, on the lower approaches of a new climb. If *Meliora Petens* (Seeking Better Things) has meant something to you, the road will nearly always be uphill, but you will keep on, and so will we."

Graduates, you are now joining the ranks of a very special group of people.

You are now officially Balmoral Hall School Alumnae. We hope you will continue to love the school and want the best for it. Balmoral Hall is much richer because of our traditions, heritage, staff, student body and help from our parent body, Board of Governors and alumnae.

As Albert Einstein said in 1936 "Education is that which remains when one has forgotten everything she learned in school." Good luck in all your future endeavors. Remember, you can take the girls out of Balmoral Hall but you cannot take Balmoral Hall out of the girls.

Where Are They Now? Graduating Class of 2000

University of Manitoba

Lauren Bachynski
Melanie Brooker
Jessica Dilts
Candice Donnelly
Laura Fletcher
Valerie Kellett
Georgia Louridas
Jennifer Nyhof
Erin Palmer
Dawn Shanski

Lauren Thiessen
Aimee Warren

University of Winnipeg

Kim Bhathal
Daisy Bedi
Rachel Corrin
Vanessa Goodfellow
Meghan McCrea

Ontario College of Art & Design

Eun Woo Cho

York University

Sonia Choi

Acadia University

Sarah Coates

University of Toronto

Kelly Tse

Queens University

Simona Ioffe
Ann Noseworthy
Tayisa Petryshyn
Maegan Rutherford

Trinity Western University

Heidi Dyck

Lakehead University

Samantha Hacquoil

Carleton University

Cindy Hnatyshyn
Jasmin Hu
Jennifer Skerritt

University of Western Ontario

Raeanne Melstead

Travelling for one year

Joanna Fultz
Darcie Levy
Amory Steek

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Senior 4 Subject Awards

Art A.P. – Eun Woo Cho
Biology – Jennifer Nyhof
Biology A.P. – Sarah Coates
Calculus A.P. – Jasmin Hu

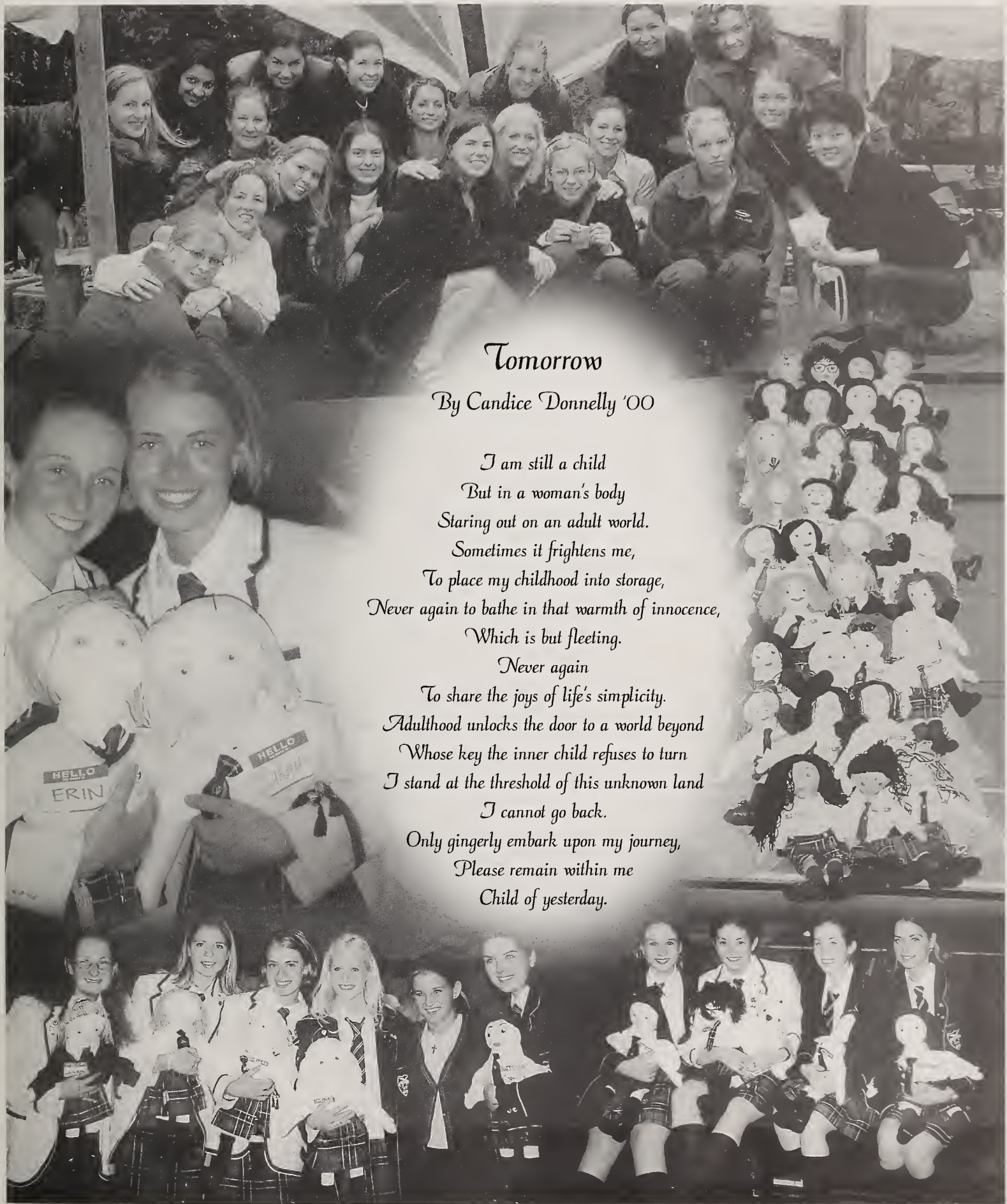
Chamber Ensemble – Laura Fletcher
Chemistry – Candice Donnelly & Laura Fletcher
Choral Music – Laura Fletcher
Consumer Math – Meghan McCrea
Debating – Sarah Coates
Dramatic Arts – Rachel Corrin

English – Laura Fletcher
English A.P. – Candice Donnelly
Great Canadian Geography Challenge – Candice Donnelly
Human Geography – Candice Donnelly
Japanese – Simona Ioffe
Musical Theatre – Simona Ioffe

Physics – Maegan Rutherford
Physics A.P. – Jasmin Hu
Pre-Calculus Math – Jasmin Hu
Service Learning – Daisy Bedi
Spanish – Jennifer Skerritt
Spanish A.P. – Simona Ioffe

Head of School Award

Highest average in each grade
Grade 7 – Jaime Rosin
Grade 8 – Kyla Caners
Senior 1 – Heather Ingo & Nathania Van Kuik Fast
Senior 2 – Sheryl McLaughlin
Senior 3 – Simmie Bhullar
Senior 4 – Candice Donnelly



Tomorrow

By Candice Donnelly '00

I am still a child
But in a woman's body
Staring out on an adult world.
Sometimes it frightens me,
To place my childhood into storage,
Never again to bathe in that warmth of innocence,
Which is but fleeting.
Never again
To share the joys of life's simplicity.
Adulthood unlocks the door to a world beyond
Whose key the inner child refuses to turn
I stand at the threshold of this unknown land
I cannot go back.
Only gingerly embark upon my journey,
Please remain within me
Child of yesterday.

An interview with Centennial Reunion Chairperson, Heather Hinchliffe '81



From May 3–5, 2002, alumnae of Balmoral Hall, Riverbend, Rupert's Land and Havergal Schools will gather to celebrate 100 years of excellence in education. *Portal* staff recently spoke with Heather Hinchliffe, reunion chairperson, about the Centennial Reunion, her reasons for getting involved and how others can become active in the planning of this great event.

Portal: What is the Centennial Reunion all about?

Heather: The Centennial Reunion is a great opportunity for anyone who attended or worked at Havergal, Riverbend, Rupert's Land and/or Balmoral Hall to renew old acquaintances and reminisce about their school days. Each one of the over 1,600 alumnae for whom we have addresses will be invited, in addition to former staff.



Portal: What types of activities are planned?

Heather: We're planning a whole weekend of events, for example:

- decade parties on Friday evening;
- an open house at the School with archive displays, student presentations and decade photos during the day on Saturday;
- a gala dinner at the Lombard Hotel on Saturday evening; and
- a church service at Westminster Church on Sunday afternoon.

Portal: How can alumnae find out if others from their class are coming?

Heather: Registration forms will be available on the BH web site and in the Spring 2001 issue of the *Portal*. Once registrations start coming in, we will post the names of those who have registered on the web site.

Portal: Who is organizing the Centennial Reunion?

Heather: A volunteer committee of the Balmoral Hall Alumnae Association is organizing the Centennial Reunion.

Committee members span the years and schools that make up our alumnae association. We have members from Winnipeg, Ontario, BC and California.

Portal: Why did you choose to become involved?

Heather: After attending an initial planning meeting last March, I found myself volunteering to sit on the Centennial Reunion Committee. Carole Ann Baron '59 then asked if I would consider chairing the reunion organizing committee. Sure, there was a little arm-twisting involved, but I found it very flattering that the original committee placed so much faith in my ability to help facilitate such an important alumnae event!

Portal: What is the time commitment involved in being on the planning committee?

Heather: The time commitment varies depending on the role, but each committee has two co-chairs to minimize the work and maximize the fun!

Portal: Where can I find out more about the Centennial Reunion and how to get involved?

Heather: To find out more, contact me directly or get in touch with the Alumnae Office (see contact info on page 13).

We want as many alumnae as possible involved in the planning, and of course we want all alumnae to attend!

Alumnae can find out the latest event details by looking at the BH web site: <http://www.balmorallhall.com/reunion.htm>

Havergal, Rupert's Land, Riverbend and Balmoral Hall Alumnae: Here are just some of the events we've got planned for you!

Friday, May 3, 2002

- Registration & Hospitality
- School Assembly
- Tours of Aikins House and Balmoral Hall
- Decade Parties at The Lombard Hotel

Saturday, May 4, 2002

- Registration
- Alumnae Association Annual General Meeting with Keynote Speaker
- Lunch at Balmoral Hall
- Afternoon Fair including decade photos, student demonstrations, shows in the Theatre, archives displays and more
- Cocktails and Gala Dinner at The Lombard Hotel

Sunday, May 5, 2002

- Church Service

The Committee Needs You!

The Centennial Reunion Committee needs volunteers to help co-ordinate the following activities:

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| • Archives | • Hospitality |
| • Church Service | • Kit Stuffers |
| • Decade Parties | • Memorabilia |
| • Decorations | • Photography |
| • Entertainment | • Registration |
| • Former Staff Party | • Reservations |
| • Gala Dinner | • Signage |
| • Garden Party | • Souvenirs |
| | • Transportation |

Most committees have two chairpeople to minimize the work and maximize the fun! Our goal is to make the Reunion Committee a "virtual" committee – corresponding often by e-mail and phone. So please get involved, even if you aren't in Winnipeg.

Interested?

Please contact Genevieve Delaquais
phone: (204) 784-1603
e-mail: gdelaquais@balmorallhall.com
or Heather Hinchliffe
phone: (204) 489-8643
e-mail: toby81@mb.sympatico.ca.

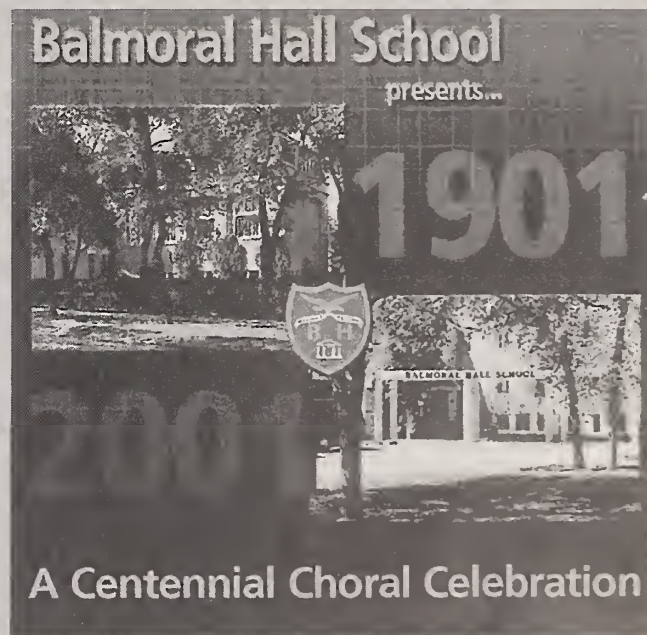
Great Gift Idea

The long awaited CD anniversary project featuring the five choirs of Balmoral Hall School is completed and hot off the press. Professionally manufactured, "A Centennial Choral Celebration" is a 75 minutes CD of thirty-seven musical selections sung by girls from Grade One to Twelve.

This CD was recorded in the spring terms of 1999 and 2000 as a special project to celebrate the School's 100th anniversary. It is not only a lasting keepsake for students but would also make an excellent gift for family and friends. As a limited number of copies are available, we encourage you to pick up your CD at the Front Office or order it today.

Please contact the School
at (204) 784-1600 or
info@balmorallhall.com.

The cost of the CD is \$18.
To have it mailed, please add \$2. Cheques can be made payable to Balmoral Hall School and orders can be charged to school accounts.



five choirs

Your Parent Association

By Cheryl Maidment, President

The 1999/2000 school year was a tremendous success for the Parent Association of Balmoral Hall. Under the leadership of Linda Mitchell, now past president, we achieved record participation and donation levels. It is through the hard work and involvement of so many parent volunteers that we function so efficiently and successfully. *Thank you.*

Due to great fundraising events, dedicated volunteers and generous supporters, we were able to proudly honour the mandate of our association during the school year. The Parent Association is committed to providing the School with items that promote additional educational, recreational and cultural experiences for the majority of the students.

During the 1999/2000 school year, the Parent Association allocated \$50,000 towards the purchase of the following items:

- K-5 Science Software to integrate technology into the curriculum
- 6 IBM Laptop & 1 Mac Laptop
- 2 Computers for the Library
- Wiring of Middle & Senior School for computer, network and Internet access
- 6 Monocular Microscopes for the new Middle School Science lab
- 6 Electronic Balances
- 3 Mac computers for Kindergarten
- Orff Instruments, Bar Chime, Single Contrabass Bar, Two Bass Bars
- Bass Drum, Snare Drum & Tuba for the Middle School Band Program
- 2 Televisions & 2 VCR's
- Digital Camera

The Parent Association also funds over \$10,000 worth of scholarships and awards annually. Through many activities, we also enhance the sense of community and school spirit. Our fundraising events include the QSP magazine subscriptions and renewals, the spring Dinner Dance/Auction, the BH Invitational Golf Classic and Bingos throughout the year. We look forward to another rewarding year of fundraising and friendraising.

I would like to invite all parents to attend the Parent Association monthly meetings. When I joined the Parent Association in 1998, I did not know a soul. Although I was busy with my career and family, I would do it all over again because of the satisfaction and the new friendships I have developed.

The Parent Association works because of the participation we get from parents. I encourage you all to get involved!

Mark your Calendar!

Saturday, March 10, 2001

The Parent Association hopes to see you at the 2001 Gala. The theme for the upcoming event will be "Night at the Moulin Rouge." The entire newly renovated 7th floor of the Fort Garry Hotel has been reserved for this annual gala event.

Friday, May 25, 2001

The third annual Balmoral Hall Invitational Golf Classic will be held at the Bel Acres Golf and Country Club. Start thinking about your foursomes now as this year's tournament promises to be the biggest and best yet!

Sharing Career Paths!

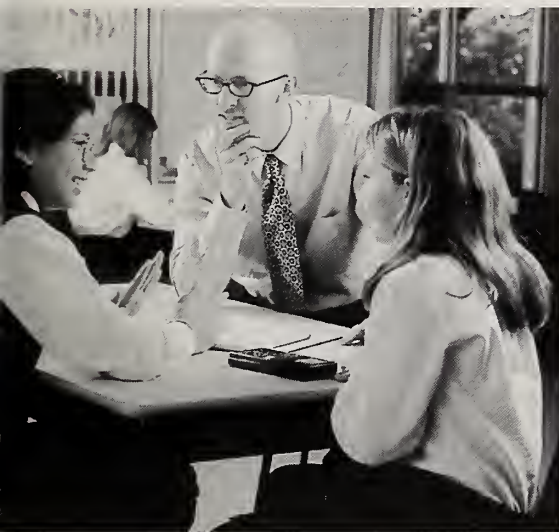
By Senior 4 (Grade 12), the typical student will have spent approximately 14,500 hours in the classroom! One of those classrooms will be the *Careers Begin Here!* Course for Senior 2 (Grade 10) students. Throughout the year, we will explore a wide variety of career information, inventories, computer programs, a few field trips, and media & career simulations.

One vital aspect of career exploration is meeting real people from many walks of life who can inspire students through personal stories from their career path.

Would you like to be interviewed about your job? All members of the BH Family are asked to consider being involved in this course. Please see Mrs. Emberley at the Career Centre or call (204) 784-1699 to discuss your participation or to recommend someone who could be approached.

Why Does Balmoral Hall Fundraise?

Fundraising is not a single act. It is a series of attitudes, actions and reactions integrated into a plan that involves each and every member of the BH Family. The greatest challenge we face is conveying the necessity of raising funds over and above tuition. It is very important to ensure that all members of the BH Family come to an understanding and awareness of the great need Balmoral Hall School has for voluntary philanthropic support.



Parents often comment "I already pay tuition." This is true, however, as a not-for-profit organization, dedicated to excellence and committed to maintaining tuition levels that are as affordable as possible, tuition alone cannot sustain the demands being placed on our operating budget. Daily, our students are reaching new heights and searching for new challenges. Add to this the equipment demands resulting from rapidly evolving technology, our integration of technology into every component of our curriculum and the commitment to professional

development so that we continue to attract and retain the best and brightest faculty and it becomes very clear why we are so committed to our fundraising initiatives.

The role of development is to ensure that, as members of the BH Family, you will have a choice of diverse opportunities to support the School. We are committed to the voluntary act of giving and annually manage the Annual Giving Fund which provides for tax-deductible giving at any level in keeping with ability.

We work with the Parent Association and Alumnae Association to host special events such as the Dinner/Dance & Auction, Bingo, the Magazine Sale, the Golf Tournament and the Alumnae May Brunch that both nurture and support BH socially and financially. The choice of activity and the level of contribution is yours to make.

These events support immediate current activities, enhance present programmes and allow BH to meet equipment needs. We hope that you will support those activities that interest and fulfill your philanthropic goals. Strength of purpose and focused energies will continue to position BH as a leader in girls education, cherished by our entire community of the past, present and future!



Gift of Knowledge and More for the Girls of Balmoral Hall

In January of 2000, Balmoral Hall School welcomed into our family the brave and dedicated members of Chemo Savvy. This courageous group of breast cancer survivors was in need of a facility and a coach to prepare for their upcoming season of Dragon Boat races.

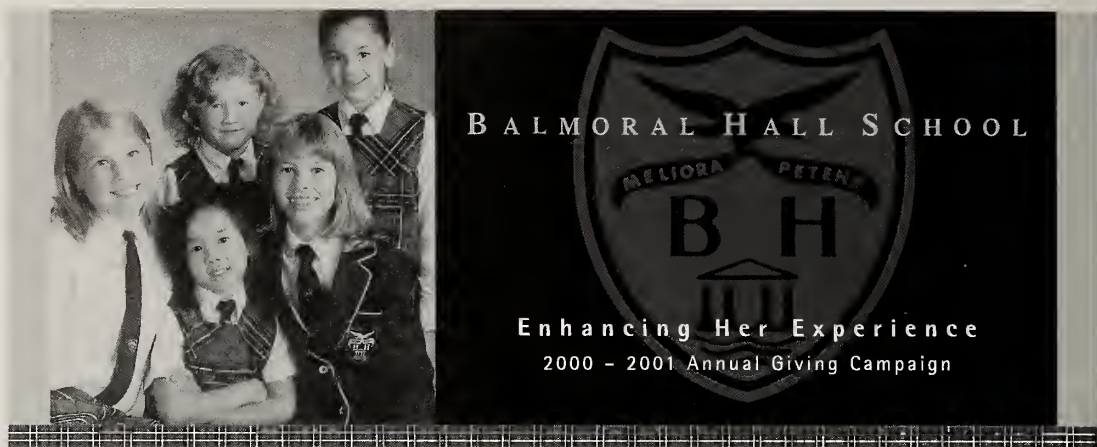
Our Physical Education enthusiast Mrs. Lisa Calsbeck volunteered her time and expertise to this worthy and motivational project. Claire Sumerlus, Head of School, eagerly supported this initiative by providing access to the Richardson Athletic Centre, the Kozminski Common Room and Aikins House on Wednesday evenings. A formula for success, Chemo Savvy placed first in their August race at the Forks.

To build on this partnership and the commitment of Chemo Savvy to increase among women an awareness of breast cancer, members spoke to our Middle & Senior School students at a recent assembly. They shared their struggles and their victories, and emphasized the need for a greater understanding of this disease.

They ended their message with the generous donation of a valuable piece of weight training equipment for our athletic facility. We look forward to our ongoing partnership as we plan and prepare to launch Balmoral Hall's first Girls for the Cure run to be held in October 2001.

PARTICIPATION EQUALS SUCCESS!

The donor report on the following pages lists the members of our BH Family who have generously contributed gifts to annual giving, to the capital campaign and to special projects. We are pleased to report participation rates for alumnae increased as a growing number of individuals are becoming aware of the needs of the School. BH parents are great supporters of their Parent Association and the many events offered throughout the school year. This past year was an outstanding success – Thank you to all the volunteers and supporters.



Donors receive a charitable tax receipt.

Incentives for Giving to the BH Annual Giving Campaign

Receive a U.S. Tax Receipt

Now our supporters in the United States can make a donation to BH and receive a U.S. tax receipt. Simply make your donation cheque to: FRISBE (Friends of Independent Schools & Better Education) and mail to: 811 Karl Johan Avenue N., Tacoma, Washington 98406-1047.

Please enclose the Annual Giving form and note on your cheque that you wish to direct the donation to Balmoral Hall. FRISBE will then issue you a U.S. tax receipt and we will be notified of your gift.

All Charities Campaign

The All Charities Campaign is the official fundraising campaign for employees, past and present of the Province of Manitoba and other affiliated employee groups. Donors can make a cash donation or a payroll deduction and can name one or more of 884 agencies on their pledge card. Last year, the All Charities Campaign received over 1 million dollars, a milestone in the campaign's 34 year history. Balmoral Hall School is now listed as one of those agencies. If you plan to make your donation through the All Charities Campaign this year, please consider giving to Balmoral Hall School.

Matching Gifts

Would you like to see your gift do twice as much for Balmoral Hall? Your company may be ready to help. If you are a current employee, retired, or the spouse/widow of an employee, or a member of the Board of Directors, your company might be waiting to match your gift to BH.

Check with your human resources department to find out if they will match your gift or call Balmoral Hall to get a list of matching gift companies. Ask your company to give you an application form. Fill in the form and enclose it with your gift. This match at least doubles the impact of your gift!

To contact the Annual Giving Office, call (204) 784-1603.

Mark Your Place in History

Members of the BH Family have endowed 123 seats in the Sifton Family Theatre. Parents have named seats for their daughters, grandparents for their granddaughters, entire families have named seats, staff have named a seat for themselves, graduating classes have named a seat for their class, seats have been named in memory of loved ones, and alumnae have named seats for their favourite teacher, for themselves or their families.

There are 79 seats left! **For information on how you can endow a theatre seat,** please call Tina Alto in the Development Office at (204) 784-1614.



DONORS MAKE IT POSSIBLE

Listed below are the names of all those who have shared their generosity with the School. Please review the lists that follow. If your name does not appear, we encourage you to join the ranks of donors who have supported the School.

If your name is listed, please check that it is correctly spelled. Every effort is made to ensure that this list is accurate.

If we have made an error, or if your name is missing, please call us and let us know. We want to get it right.

1999/2000 Annual Giving Campaign

Alumnae

- Barbara H. Aldous
- Mary Gretchen Alexander
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- Eve (Rogers) Auer, Rupert's Land
- Lorna Berg
- Elspeth Brown
- Elizabeth Buggy
- Cynthia Burbidge
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- Gerry Matte & Lydia Surasky-Matte
- Moffat Communications Limited
- Kerry Montgomery *
- Ming Auto Beauty Centres of Winnipeg *

- Jim, Irene & Erin Palmer *
- Powell Equipment Limited *
- The Prendiville Family
- James & Shirley Richardson
- Jim & Joan Richardson & Family
- Eileen Rieger *
- Mr. & Mrs. J. Derek Riley *
- Mr. L. Rosenberg & Dr. F. Steinberg
- Dr. & Mrs. Robert T. Ross
- Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Sammons *
- Iain & Jan Scott
- The Sweatman Family

- Jack, Margot & Dorice Tepley
- Catherine (Coughlin) Thiessen (BH '78)
- Dr. & Mrs. T. Kenneth Thorlakson
- Mr. & Mrs. T. Wilton *

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- Mary (McCallum) Alexander
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- Lydia (Klein) Engebretson
- Kathleen (Murray) Ford
- Carolyn (Dowler) Graham
- Gail (MacDonald) Konantz
- Patricia (Parrish) Lee
- Julie (Harris) McInnes
- Jean (Aikins) Mulholland
- Joan (Arnold) Nebbs
- Frances (Aikins) Riley
- Polly (Harris) Riley
- Susan (Graham) Scott

- Peg (Aikins) Sellers
- Arla (Button) Sidebottom
- Diane Sidebottom-Roulston
- Joanne R. Sutherland
- Catherine (Coughlin) Thiessen
- Nicola (Murray) Tory
- Roberta (Lee) Turner
- Patricia (Moss) Weeks
- Betty (Foster) Wilcox



"When you Leave a Legacy...you can make a difference in the lives that follow."

In May 2000, an exciting program was launched in Manitoba, called Leave a Legacy. This initiative of the Canadian Association of Gift Planners (CAGP), of which we are members and supporters, is being launched across Canada.

The purpose of Leave a Legacy is to inform people throughout Manitoba about how to leave something from their estate to a charity through a will, an insurance policy, an annuity or by making immediate gifts through charitable remainder trusts and donations of stock (which one BH donor did last year). Our hope is that the following information will help our BH Family fulfill their philanthropic wishes.

If leaving a legacy is of interest to you, take the next step.

Think about the charity or cause you'd most like to help. Maybe you or someone you know has benefited from the service of a particular organization. Maybe you're an active volunteer or believer in the mission of a specific organization. You might want to leave a gift in memory of a loved one or for a certain use.

If you need more help or you need to know more about a particular organization, do some investigating before leaving a gift. Call the charity of your choice. They can tell you more about what they do, what opportunities are available for giving, and how your gift will allow them to continue their good works.

If you are interested in more information and would like to support the future of Balmoral Hall with a planned gift made today, please contact the Development office at (204) 784-1614.

Ten Things You Can Do Today to Leave a Legacy

1. Prepare a will. Without a will you lose control over your property at death.
2. Leave a gift in your will for the charitable organizations that made a difference in your life. Imagine the positive impact on our community if everyone made a gift from their estate to their favourite charities.
3. Leave a specific dollar amount or a percentage of the assets in your will to charities of your choice.
4. Consider using assets for your charitable gift. These include but are not limited to cash, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, term deposits, real estate, vehicles, art, jewellery, or insurance. Such gifts may even provide tax savings.
5. Name a charity as a beneficiary of your RRSP, RRIF or pension.
6. Name your favourite charity as the beneficiary of an existing or paid-up life insurance policy.
7. Purchase a new life insurance policy naming your favourite charity as the beneficiary.
8. Remember loved ones with memorial gifts.
9. Encourage family and friends to leave gifts to charities in their wills.
10. Ask your financial or estate advisor to include charitable giving as part of their counsel to clients.

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Archives Now in BH Hallway

By Lyn Stephen, School Archivist



In response to alumnae requests, student interest and the commitment of our Head of School to showcase our heritage, the first display case (and hopefully one of many to come) is now filled with the memories and traditions of our past. Our first display focuses on the history of the School, beginning with the founding of Havergal College in 1901, through the years when Rupert's Land and Riverbend School were flourishing, and on to the union of those two schools, which brought about the creation of Balmoral Hall.

Future displays will highlight aspects of school life over the years – our traditions, our accomplishments, and the many landmark events which have shaped the School.

The richer our archival collection, the more informative and meaningful the displays will be. Our ability to enhance our collection depends largely on donations from alumnae, former staff members and friends of the School. Thank you for past donations, and for those to come!

This splendid new display case, located on "Main Street", enables us to showcase material from our archival collection, making it readily accessible to passers-by.

Class Photos Needed!

As we begin preparations for the Centennial Reunion, we are making a special appeal for donations of pictures, yearbooks, newsletters, programs, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, pins, uniforms and other memorabilia.

One need in particular is for graduation class photographs from Havergal, Rupert's Land and Riverbend, and from Balmoral Hall in the 50s, 60s and 70s. If you have a class photo but don't wish to part with it, please consider lending it so that a copy can be made.

Using the class photos we receive, and those already in our collection, a permanent display will be mounted in the School. Help us complete this record of one hundred years of graduations in time for the Centennial!



Rupert's Land Staff – believed to be taken in 1941

Back l-r: May Gordon, Flora Rumbal, Nellie Lucas, Mrs. Gladstone's sister, Freda Foster

Middle l-r: Mrs. Cook, Henrietta Herkes, H. Armitage, H. Ralston, Rose Dubois, Sylvia Turner, Mrs. Edwards

Front l-r: Ester Purdie, Eva Eldred, Beverley Sharman, Elsie Bartlett, Muriel Faraday, Dorothy G. Bussell, Doreen Jackson



This photo of some of the members of the Class of '49 was taken prior to a Riverbend school dance – perhaps even the graduation dance.

Back l-r: "Stubby" Ross, Joy Knox, Stanley Jones, Allan Philp, Jim Burns, Clancy Smith, unknown

Front l-r: Shelagh (Lawson) Hyde, June (Baker) Halpin, Lorna (McCarthy) Berg, Margery (Baker) MacInnes, Betty (Morgan) Henderson, Caroly (Dowler) Reid Graham, Wilson Barber

Photos donated to BH Archives by Carolyn (Dowler) Graham RIV '49.



l-r: Margaret (Ross) Bailey, Daphne (Cumming) Kellett, Beth (Rice-Jones) McMahan, Dora (Rothwell) Christie and Helen (Johnston) Patterson

Vancouver Tea at Hycroft

In March, alumnae from Vancouver and surrounding areas were invited to the University Women's Club to meet Claire Sumerlus, new Head of School. Seen here are some of the women in attendance.



Janet (Jackson) Sims '66 (right) and Catherine (Bingeman) Stevenson RIV '40



Eve (Rogers) Auer RLS '38 (left) and Margaret (Martin) Williams RLS '37



Lynn (Premachuk) Braun '82 and Maria Lutz '85 with daughter Bronwyn.



Margaret (Killick) Ramsay RLS '47 (left) and Jackie (Bend) Allen RLS '46



Betty Cotterell RLS '47

A Message to the Class of 2000 from the Riverbend Class of 1937

Five "Old Girls" held a reunion in March in Victoria. Since the grade twelves that year numbered only eight, the five pictured on the sofa represent 60% of the class. We challenge the Class of 2000 to reach 60% attendance at their reunion in 2063!

We attended the school before it changed its name to Balmoral Hall. In the days of Riverbend, there were fewer buildings but more spacious lawns. Our classroom was in the white house, in a large sunny room which had once been the dining room. Our uniforms were short navy blue serge tunics worn over pale blue cotton shirts. Black stockings showed off our shapely legs.

We now live in different parts of Canada. Margaret lives in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Daphne in Qualicum Beach, Vancouver Island, Beth in Victoria, Dora in Shawville, Quebec and Helen in Regina. In Victoria we had a very happy time renewing friendships and reminiscing. We all remembered the day in December when we were invited into the teachers' sitting-room to hear an important radio broadcast; this was when Edward VIII renounced the throne to marry the woman he loved.

What message should be sent to the grade twelve grads of today? Life, we decide is good, with all its ups and downs. "Wish them bonne chance," Dora suggested. But perhaps Beth expressed our feelings best. "Tell them that we wish them as much joy in life as we have had."

Getting Together

Class of 1990 Ten Year Reunion

In May, 16 alums from the class of '90 caught up at the School. They sat in on the Prefect Election Speeches, took part in a Scavenger Hunt through the buildings, found their cement handprint and watched their grad video in Aikins House. Current and former staff also joined in the celebration. Their Class Gift was allocated towards the purchase of a new digital camera for Middle & Senior School. *Thank you!*

Also in attendance were Jenny (Choi) Petersen, Melanie Hyska, Beth Kotler, Sarah Lyttle, Gillian Pettigrew, Mira Sahay and Lauren Toni



l-r: Melissa (Portnoy) McLean, Jo Hewitt Nickel, Heather (Jessiman) Partridge, Treena Hastings



l-r: Mrs. Dammerman, Tara Lemieux, Mrs. Fulton, Laurie Tanner, Rebecca Staunton



l-r: Christine (Novotny) Ulicki, Mrs. Greenhill, Shannon (Garrett) Nevison, Mrs. Goldberg



l-r: Treena Hastings, Tara Lemieux, Shannon (Garrett) Nevison, Heather (Jessiman) Partridge, Rebecca Staunton, Melissa (Portnoy) McLean, Laurie Tanner, Tracy Hall – in front: Christine (Novotny) Ulicki

Class of 1991 – ready for your ten year reunion?

Can you believe it has been ten years! The Alumnae Office is more than happy to help plan your reunion.

Interested in coordinating? Call the office at (204) 784-1603.

Let Us Help You With Your Reunion

The Alumnae Office can provide assistance to your next reunion! To get class lists, book tours of the school, attend a school assembly or gather in Aikins House, call (204) 784-1603 or e-mail alumnae@balmoralhall.com



Exciting Times Ahead

By Debbie Metcalfe '76, Alumnae Association President



Debbie Metcalfe

For the last four years, I have been involved with the Alumnae Association as a board member, and most recently as the Vice-President. Tannis (Leach) Nuttall's term as President has come to an end and I am very pleased to step into the position as the new Alumnae Association President.

Since last March, I have been sitting around the table with an ever increasing group of alumnae. The foundation for an alumnae reunion to celebrate the School's 100th birthday is now in place, and already, over 20 women spanning 50 years of the School's history sit on the committee. For those of you who attended Reunion 87, you'll remember the fun we had! We are using the blueprint of Reunion 87 and are building on the success of that reunion to assist in planning this one.

To ensure the success of this Centennial Reunion, the Alumnae Association's focus until May 2002 will be on this event. Board Members are actively involved on the Planning Committee and on the Heritage Committee. The Heritage Committee continues its work of restoring the main floor of Aikins House and will be offering

tours of the house at the reunion. Heather Hinchliffe '81 has taken on the role of Reunion Chair and her enthusiasm is spreading throughout the committee! If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the Alumnae Office.

We continue the search for lost alumnae addresses in preparation for the Centennial Reunion. Thank you to Sarah Young '98 for an outstanding job on cleaning up the alumnae database over the summer! With over 2,000 lost alumnae, we have decided to start searching for graduates and will then be enlarging the search to all alumnae next summer. The good news is that we have current addresses for over 67% of our Balmoral Hall graduates, but this still means we have people to find. On pages 26 and 27, we have listed our lost graduates from Balmoral Hall. Please help us find them!

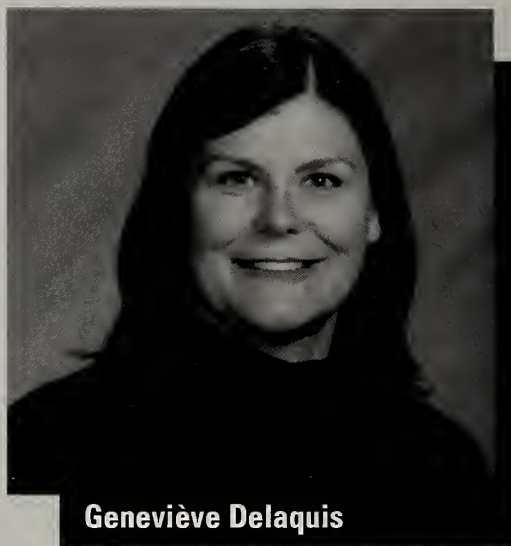
For those of you who attended Havergal, Rupert's Land and Riverbend Schools, you will once again be treated to a Holiday Greeting Card made by current students. Last year, we had several alumnae write back to the students thanking them for their card. The girls were thrilled to hear from you so please feel free to write back again this year.

A special reunion for the Class of 1968 was held October 13 to 16. These alumnae gathered in Canmore, Alberta to celebrate their 50th birthdays! Because of the print deadline, we were unable to include a write up but Sydney (Kennedy) Lightbody '68 has promised us a story complete with photos for the spring 2001 issue.

Claire Sumerlus, Head of School, will be in Victoria in late November attending a fair which introduces international recruiting agents to Canadian educational institutions. She will be hosting a reception on November 21st to meet alumnae in Victoria. Invitations will be mailed directly to those of you in Victoria. We hope to see you there and to

share a few stories, past and present, as we gear up for the celebrations in 2001-02.

With the Alumnae Association focusing its energies on the Centennial Reunion, we are pleased to announce that we have a full time staff person in the Alumnae Office to coordinate our alumnae events, reunions and receptions. Geneviève Delaquis will be working closely with the reunion planning committee, work with alumnae on special events and will coordinate the Annual Giving Campaign.



Geneviève Delaquis

You will find your Annual Giving materials inserted in this issue of The Portal. This Campaign builds on the success of the Alumnae Annual Giving Campaigns and celebrates the opportunity for quality education among all members of the BH Family. Last year, alumnae gifts raised over \$13,500. What an amazing show of support! Thank you for making Balmoral Hall a priority in your charitable giving.

I look forward to the upcoming months as we gear up to celebrate 100 years of educating girls and young women.



In May, we held the annual **May Brunch** to welcome the Class of 2000 to the Alumnae Association. Seen here are the newest alumnae! Next year, we hope to celebrate the first graduating class of Balmoral Hall's 50th Reunion. If you belong to the Class of 1951, we will soon be in touch!



Canadian History

From its humble beginnings in 1901, Balmoral Hall has had a hand in the education and personal development of some of Manitoba's leading citizens. The telling of its history is the telling of the development of Winnipeg and Western Canada. For the School's Centennial in 2001/02, Balmoral Hall plans to publish a book detailing our history.

Current Senior 3 (Grade 11) students will be in their graduating year in 2001/02, and will take on different parts of the project as part of their Canadian History course. Students will choose to interview alumnae, illustrate Winnipeg and Balmoral Hall history through photography, graphic arts or multi-media, research historical references in various archives, or be part of the publishing process through writing, editing and formatting. A local heritage consultant, Mr. Murray Peterson, will conduct the project in collaboration with our history teacher, Mrs. Teresa Friesen.

Mr. Peterson joined us in early September, providing two Senior 3 classes with an introduction to the project and oral history in general. This will be followed, once per cycle, by a series of lectures on the history of Winnipeg and Western Canada, and how to successfully complete an oral history project. Alumnae will be invited into the classroom to provide students with the opportunity to practice what they have learned and to hone their interviewing skills.

Early in 2001, students will contact alumnae and complete the interviews. The students will then organize the taped interviews, index them and deposit a copy in the Balmoral Hall School archives. At the same time, the consultant will assist them in preparing a finished compilation of excerpts of these interviews for publication as well as for addition to the School's website.

Using material from the students and his own research, the heritage consultant will write the text and select the photos and images to be included in the book. The research component of the project will continue until the finished book is sent to the printer by September 1, 2001. Writing, editing and design of the book will begin in February 2001.

This is a unique opportunity to introduce a fascinating part of Canadian history to young people and have them participate in all aspects of the project. Interviews with the people who have shaped their school and city will impact on their understanding of local history and its importance in shaping their future. Those using multimedia to illustrate research done will be using innovative technology to transmit a historical message. This project will provide the opportunity for students to experience Winnipeg history first hand.

Alumnae are key oral history participants. If you are interested in collaborating with a student to share your memories, no matter when in the last century they occurred, we would love to hear from you.

The provincial Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism is a partner in the project, providing current funding of \$5,000. The School's Annual Giving Campaign has provided funding, and now we are asking alumnae, parents and friends of BH to support this special project. Your participation is vital to our success.

To contribute, please contact Tina Alto, Director of Development & Marketing at (204) 784-1614 or talto@balmoralhall.com



Sister Rosa Rayner '44 visits Balmoral Hall

The School hosted an afternoon tea to welcome Sister Rosa Rayner back to the School. She was visiting Winnipeg on a visit from England. With the assistance of Kathleen Richardson, this intimate gathering in Aikins House re-connected 8 alumnae who graduated from Riverbend in 1944 and 1945.

Writing the Next Chapter

By T'shura-Ann Elias

Usually, when I am present at a Heritage Committee meeting, for whatever reason, I find myself reminded of Virginia Woolf's *A Room of One's Own*. However, at the last Heritage meeting in May, I began thinking about Alice Walker's *In Search of Our Mother's Garden*. Anything Walker's mother planted grew, and her fame as a grower of flowers spread. People used to come to her mother's garden to be given cuttings from her flowers. Over and over again, praise showered on her because whatever rocky soil she landed on, she turned into a garden – a garden so brilliant, with colors so original in its design, so magnificent with life and creativity that "to this day people drive by that house in Georgia – perfect strangers and imperfect strangers and ask to walk or stand among her mother's art." Walker's mother was involved in work her soul must have, and the Art that was the result of her toil was also her gift to a legacy and heritage.

As we move towards the Centennial of Balmoral Hall, the restoration of Aikins House has become a reality. Walls have been painted in colors which illuminate the warmth of the House; the windows have been adorned in drapery, rich in texture, inviting onlookers to come in, and those inside to see the beauty of all that



August 2000 – Linda Martin entertained members of the Heritage Committee prior to her departure to take up a teaching post at Shawnigan Lake School in B.C.
l-r: Carole Ann Baron, Arla Sidebottom, Linda Martin, Jo Hewitt-Nickel, Diane Sidebottom-Roulston

surrounds the House. The hardwood floors have been redone to perfection, and rugs are being laid. The furniture – from the Dining Room table, to the Library's double pedestal desk, to the Drawing Room's Jacobean chair – all the furniture has been refinished and reupholstered, making it very inviting to sit and have tea. And let us not forget the beautiful artwork found throughout the House – all of which has been repaired and restored – giving a sense of priceless and timeless beauty. The portrait of James Aikins, which has also been redone, resides in the House, overseeing the work that has so far been accomplished and reminding us why this restoration is so important.

Jane Austin once said history is not what you thought; it is what you can remember. Whether from Havergal, Rupert's Land, Riverbend, or Balmoral Hall, we remember Aikins House as being our very first school, a residence for Headmasters and Headmistresses, a home for many students,

and a meeting place for all. To new students of this fall, or students from any one of these schools, Aikins House is a link for the past, the present, and the future. It is a history built on knowledge and memories, and a history that is still being written. The Heritage Committee ensures this.

Although there is still much work ahead before the Centennial, the accomplishments achieved by the Heritage Committee would not be possible without the generosity that has been received through donations, participation, and time devoted to this project, which brings me back to Alice Walker. In many respects, Walker's *In Search of Our Mother's Garden* reflects the work and accomplishments of the Heritage Committee – guided by a shared heritage, we are creating our own garden.

A special thank you to Lyn Stephen for her help locating the photo of Aikins House in the school archives.

Riverbend Library (which is now the front Drawing Room of Aikins House) 1946-47



July 2000 – Repairing the roof of Aikins House.

At our June Closing Exercises we welcomed thirty-four new alumnae from the graduating class of 2000. Not only are graduating students alumnae, in fact anyone who has attended Havergal, Rupert's Land, Riverbend or Balmoral Hall Schools for one year or more is considered at BH alumna. Our alumnae live all over the world and now total over 4,000. With so many alumnae, you can imagine the difficulty keeping addresses current.

The Alumnae Office is part of the School's Development Office and its primary role is developing alumnae relations. In preparation for the Centennial Reunion in May 2002, we have focused our efforts on tracking former students and staff. We will work diligently to compile the guest list for this special reunion, so please review the lost alumnae list on the following two pages and help us find so many missing friends.



Sarah Young '98

This summer, we employed Sarah Young '98 to assist in the Alumnae Office. Sarah attended BH from 1985 to 1998 (Lifer) and is currently studying Criminology at the University of Manitoba. Over the summer, she worked on organizing alumnae records, identifying graduates, organizing class lists and searching for alumnae addresses. Here are some of our statistics:

Havergal, Rupert's Land, Riverbend and BH Alumnae

Total: 4,833

Found: 1,909

Lost: 2,924

Balmoral Hall School Graduates

Total: 1,225

Found: 896

Lost: 329

(as of October 30, 2000)

To continue the search, our primary strategies for the upcoming months are:

1. Lost Alums on the Website

To post all alumnae on the website and to update the lists monthly.

Due to the large number of alumnae, we have started by tracking our lost graduates. To date, we have posted the names of graduates from 1950 to 2000 with whom we have lost contact. Please help us find them! The lists are posted on the Alumnae page of the School's website at www.balmoralhall.com

2. Class Reporter Program

To re-establish contact with existing Class Reps and to find a Rep for every year.

We will be confirming participation from current Class Reps and we will work with all Reps to help find missing addresses. These reps are our primary 'life lines' to our alumnae – we look forward to working with you!

3. Alumnae E-mail Directory

To continue promoting this tool as a communication vehicle between alumnae (former students and staff) and the School.

There are now 250 alumnae who can communicate with each other through the on-line directory. Talk it up with your friends. Encourage them to add their names and e-mail addresses. It's easy, it's fun, and it's a great way to locate and connect with your friends!

- Add your name
- Search for classmates, friends and faculty
- Let your classmates and friends find you
- Choose to hide your e-mail address, but still receive mail
- Receive updates on BH events
- Volunteer to be a mentor, or look for one
- Class Reps can broadcast to their classmates
- Access is limited to alumnae – no junk mail

www.balmoralhall.com

If you can read this, you are not lost!

We are starting the search with this list of lost alumnae who graduated from BH. Next we will search for Havergal, Rupert's Land and Riverbend graduates, and finally, we will search for all alumnae who have attended the school for a minimum of one year. We want to find them all to invite them back to the School for the Centennial Reunion in May 2002. Can you help us find them? To update information on a lost alumna, please contact the Alumnae Office at (204) 784-1603 or e-mail alumnae@balmoralhall.com

1 9 5 0

Grade 11 of 1949 – RLS

Dorothy Bailey
Gillian (Baker) Lewis
Rosemary O'Neail
Elinor Shaw
Mary Lou Sime
Dianne Skynner

Grade 12 of 1950 – RLS

Thelma Dawson
Joan Neilson
Beverly Snyder

Grade 12 of 1950 – RIV

Ruth (Anderson) Ellis
Helen Harvey
Sandra (McNamara) Horton
Diane Johnson
Clementine (McNern) Savage
Roberta (Scarce) Sykes
Audrey (Hanberg) Templeman
June Young

1 9 5 1

Grade 11 of 1950 – RLS

Lillian Briercliffe
Hazel Dickson
Margaret Duncan
Alice Elliot
Janice Nixon
Patsy (Taylor) Matheson
Jocelyn (Carey) Willis

Grade 12 of 1951 – BH

Janet (Bleeks) Beaman
Katherine (Vlassie) Bibelas
Helen Grant

1 9 5 2

Grade 11 of 1951

Geraldine (Schoepp) Anger
Diane Fraser
Joyce (Burnell) Hard
Katherine (Wood) Lennox
Diana Morton
Barbara Parliament

Donna Patterson
Lynn Redmond
Carla Ann Stewart
Dorris Tucker
Carolyn (Dyson) Wilson

Grade 12 of 1952

Pat (Riley) Gibson
Ina Huehn

1 9 5 3

Grade 11 of 1952

Carol Feinstein
Lorna (Craig) Johnson
Betty-Mae Ormiston

Grade 12 of 1953

Ann Jennings Jay
Joan Laird

1 9 5 4

Grade 11 of 1953

Ourania Nash

Grade 12 of 1954

Marie (Jeffers) Hamilton
Judy (Hanson) Rayner
Sonja (Nelson) Woods

1 9 5 5

Grade 11 of 1954

Beth Atkin
Nancy Ann (Green)
Chamberland
Angela (Rose) Gardner
Maureen Hunt
Eirene Landon
Beverley (McLeod) Mazur
Carol Nixon
Elizabeth (Atkin) Rapelje
Doreen (Nichol) Whyte

Grade 12 of 1955

Idella (Aitkens) Setter

1 9 5 6

Grade 11 of 1955

Mary (Thorton) Lee
Patricia (Busbsy) Marshall
Susan (Carneige) Merry
June (Harris) Reynard
Dorothy Richardson
Christine Watkins

Grade 12 of 1956

Carol McNeill
Patricia (Smith) Powell
Jennifer Rose

1 9 5 7

Grade 11 of 1956

Joy Fitton-Yamane
Gail McCulloch
Brenda (Dougall) Merriman
Audrey Peturson

Grade 12 of 1957

No missing alums!

1 9 5 8

Grade 11 of 1957

Ressa (Riesenberg)
Beckelman
Carol (Wallace) Brown
Katharine Fahlman
Margaret MacDermid
Nancy White

Grade 12 of 1958

Jennifer (Young) Cook
Susan Mack Horban
Shelagh Kelsey

1 9 5 9

Grade 11 of 1958

Elizabeth (Kilgour) Hunting
Ruth Murray

Grade 12 of 1959

Helen (Wilson) Andrews
Barbara (Park) Caldwell

1 9 6 2

Grade 11 of 1959

Susan Alexander
Jacqueline Duncan
Barbara (Blewett) Macdonald
Pamela (Stewart) Markham
Janet Smith

Grade 12 of 1960

Margaret Kosinski
Jean Leslie
Karen (Jones) Pipes
Arla (Bullmore) Porter

1 9 6 1

Grade 11 of 1960

Diane Bishop
Peronelle Burnford
Caroline Damerell
Brenda Howat
Elizabeth MacArthur
Rosalind (Wallace)
McDiarmid

Grade 12 of 1961

Judith (Evans) Morton
Carol (Cranston) Potter
Marylyn Reid
Penelope (Warren) Speiran
Sandra Workman Phillip

1 9 6 2

Grade 11 of 1961

Gloria Graham
Anita (Uruhart) McDougald
Elsa Rensaa
Diane Sage
Mary Tweddell
Monica (Dowse) Wong

Grade 12 of 1962

Mildred Shandid
Margaret Verner

1 9 6 3

Grade 11 of 1962

Linda (Pitt) Bannon
Brenda (Lebeau) Hardy
Josephine Kerr
Nora (Baker) Lavoie
Mary Louise Sinclair

Grade 12 of 1963

Rosemary Hanna
Dey Taylor

1 9 6 4

Grade 11 of 1963

Louise (Colville) Adams
Joan (Barker) Fulton
Irene (Huebert) Furgale
Marion Gwyn
Jane (McDiarmid) Kinley
Diane (Morton) Pritchard
Jennifer Wimbush

Grade 12 of 1964

Patricia Chop
Elizabeth (Hundevad) Flynn
Anne Ritchie
Lorna Ruttan
Alexandra "Sandy" Willis

1 9 6 5

Sheryl Noonan
Marcia (Wiens) Paci
Margaret Pickard
Susan Ruttan
Ruth Thomas
Margaret Upham
Bonnie (Lamont) Wadell

1 9 6 6

Catherine Bell
Midge (Gosko) Kelly
Terry (Rogers) Miller

In an effort to organize our class lists and have them accurately represent the alumnae prior to 1964 (when Grade 12 became mandatory for graduation), we have listed alumnae as either graduating from Grade 11 or Grade 12. If you graduated from Grade 11, we've added one year to your "class of" in order to keep you with your classmates.

CAN YOU HELP US FIND THEM?

1967

Mary Cain
Anne Carver
Mary Pat (Boucher) Hess
Jan Moore
Lesley Morris
Margie (Anderson) Sterne
Elaine (Wadham) Wolfenden

1968

Jean McKinnon

1996

Colleen Cartledge
Amber David
Judy Dodd
Susan Hogman
Lezlie Martinson

1970

Sarah Everett
Tricia Forseythe
Anne Macdonald
Martha (Pennock) Morrison

1971

Mary (Martyn) Brown
Kathy Burch
Margaret (Burns) Clarke
Caroline Crocker
Cathy Sanden
Judith Taylor
Jean (Forrest) Valiant
Susan (Folinsbee) Waugh
Clara Wong

1972

Shelagh Carter-Vogel
Karen Nauss
Brenda Poirier
Kan Yang

1973

Laurel (Yetman) Langford
Amanda Mallon
Kim (Aldrich) Phillips
Patricia Tuer
Mary Whittaker

1974

Margo Cameron
Georgia Love

1975

Heather McIntosh
Lynn Poirier

1976

Margot Bridgett
Joy (Tennant) Cole
Jane Dennis
Masami Ishikawa
Janet Murdoch
Shirley Summers
Mui Wong

1977

Marion Peggy (Hickin) Ethier
Pamela Gil
Susan (Briercliffe) Hochhalter
Dannie Kung
Susan Lee
Arabella Leung
Nora Li
Punam Nath
Elizabeth Pickup
Sriwan Sethiwan
Michelle Shaw
Robin (McCartney) Woods

1978

Margaret Gibbons
Anna Ling
Susan McGoe
Ruth (Markham) Monk
Mabel Ning
Catherine Osler-Britt
Lisa (Evans) Plocktis
Panee Sethiwan
Jane Theodore

1979

Elizabeth Gallagher
Dorothy (Lau) Ho
Melanie (Dyer) Jacobsen
Barbara Lee-Lau
Susan Roblin Reid
Dora (Hui) Yiu

1980

Susan Breakey
Eva Fung
Neeru Gupta
Marilyn (Law) Hosfield
Shelly Mathews-Blair
Lydia Odhiambo
Cecily Sheldon-McKee

1981

Sara Brown
Cynthia Burrows
Joehanna Konnelly
Petrina Ming-Git-Luk
Sophie Odhiambo
Marty Riley

1982

Alyson (Corner) Lenzion
Joni Pollock
Donna Pomeroy
Jennifer Sims
Anita Wong

1983

Sandy Best
Clarissa Ding
Andrea (Sibley) Dreger
Sarah Hanks
Lana Holtby
Ida Leung
Pamela Steiman

1991

Nancy Brown
Denise (Doucette) Carson
Ena Chu
Shala Khan
Andrea Moser
Verna Ng
Elizabeth Wong

1985

Ursula Batchelar
Joanne Crozier
Leigh Fiorentino
Yvonne Kwan
Cynthia Lau
Kathleen (McManus) McAdam
Jennifer Myers
Cheryl Waterton

1986

Kristine Banerjee
Janice Ding
Stephanie Smith

1987

Suzanne Allemeir
Kim Barnsley
Jaclyn Collins
Ratna Das
Sorrel Fitz-Simon
Nancy Fullerton
Deanna Hansen
Melanie Schick-Crozier

1988

Jennifer Hill
Katherine Mackenzie
Carole Ann Myers-Service
Andrea Oberdieck
Alanna Phillips
Catriona Runcie
Dawn Searle
Eva Shum
Amy Stuart
Jacqueline Vocaldo

1989

Pandora Lau
Wendy Owen

1990

Masami Kubota
Priscilla Lam
Virginia Mak
Loraine Ng
Terri Poole

1991

Julia Pouliot
Marnie Smith

1992

Amy Edwards
Katrina Gee
Alexandra Milne
Yuki Sano
Yuki Sonoda
Kristina Tyers

1993

Jean Lee

1994

Heather Brown
Carina Chow
Beth Greenberg
Susan Hosein
Amy Leung
Kyley McEachern
Dora Wong

1996

Daisy Chan
Aaron Chauvin
Angel Zhang

1996

Lesley Hindle
Lan Hong
Sanna Hui
Sumako Ikeda
Yuko Omura
Renee Simard
Margaret Szelagowicz
Stephanie Thorn
Maria Woo

1997

Susanna Ho

1993

Jasmine Lim

1999 & 2000

No lost alums!

*Lost alumnae lists will be updated monthly on the School's Website.
Click on www.balmoralhall.com to help us find them!*

Rupert's Land

1940s

Jocelyn Ryles RLS '43

Jocelyn writes "Thank you for sending me a copy of Marianne Burwood Hollamby's book, *I Remember it in Color*. I enjoyed reading the interesting account of her life as an English war guest and especially of her time as a student at 'Rupe.' As a classmate of "the two Annes"...Anne (Cunningham) Black and Anne Duffin, I was interested to hear of their connections with Marianne's book. Memories of my years at 'Rupe' were rekindled by her references to the teachers, students and school events of the early 1940's. It was fun to find (among the candid camera shots reprinted from the 1943 Eagle) several of my photos of grade XII classmates!"

Margaret (Killick) Ramsay RLS '47

"Following the Alumnae Tea in March at Hycroft in Vancouver, I signed up on the Alumnae E-mail Directory. There were several RLS Alumnae at the tea and it was good to meet Claire Sumerlus, new Head of Balmoral Hall. I have also really enjoyed reading Marianne Burwood Hollamby's book *I Remember it in Color*. All being well, I will try to come to the 2002 Centennial Reunion – it should be great! The one in 1987 was such fun – forty years after I had graduated from 'Rupe' with an opportunity to renew friendships after so many years."



Sandy Anderton

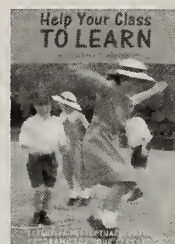
This past summer, Sandy Anderton stopped by the Alumnae Office. Daughter of Lillian Welch McKay, Sandy is currently a Grade Examiner at the Royal Academy of Dancing in the U.K. After a tour of BH, Sandy spent time in Aikins House looking through Rupert's Land yearbooks.



Riverbend

Verna Vallette Vaux

Miss Vaux taught at Riverbend from 1931-36 and told her 5 children stories of Girl Guides, sports, speech & elocution, sledding and the wonderful manners taught at Riverbend. She married Ted Boecker from Naperville, Illinois April 16, 1936, had 5 children and was very active in Naperville and with her family. She died January 19, 1986 and is buried in Illinois. Daughters Catherine Clextion and Roberta Boecker Priz stopped by the School in September and spent time in the Archives Room of Aikins House looking at Riverbend yearbooks and finding photographs of their mother.



Barbara Anne (King) Pheloung RIV '42

Barbara writes that her passion is to effectively help both children and adults with learning difficulties. Feel free to visit her website at www.movetolearn.com.au. She would love to share her latest book, *Help Your Class to Learn* and to hear from anyone interested.

Carolyn (Dowler) Graham RIV '49

Looking forward to the Centennial Reunion in 2002!

1950s

Daphne (White) Lindsay '50 (Grade 11 of 1949 – RIV)

After 48 years in Ontario, Daphne returned to Winnipeg last October. She and her sister (Deidre Buechler '61) have bought a house in River Heights. For the past eight years, she has been teaching credit courses to high school students with learning disabilities on a one to one basis in Toronto. The Alumnae Association also welcomes Daphne to the Centennial Reunion Committee!

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Gail (Brooking) Matthews '55

Gail is retired after 40 years of nursing...Footloose & Fancy Free! She is living on Vancouver Island.

1960s

Jane Moody '64

Jane lives in Nova Scotia and writes fondly of her two children: Josh (23) is studying Geology at the U of Calgary and Maggie (Grade 10) is passionate about riding her horse and of late, boys. "In my early forties, I elected to follow an unusual and leading edge career. My challenge has been and continues to be to 'put it out there' as a practice; to educate people about energy therapy and its advantages. I love it. I am reasonably healthy, reasonably fit, pretty happy and single. News of anyone who graduated in '63 or '64 would be great. The only person I have kept in sporadic touch with is Sue Riley '64." If you are interested in more information, visit Jane's website at www.integrated-energy-therapy.com

Marion (Francis) Nielsen '67

Marion is in Sydney and wrote to the Alumnae Office in September "the weather is perfect and the Olympics are about to begin on Friday. I just saw the Olympic torch being carried in my neighborhood today...what a fabulous feeling to be there!"



Carolyn (Richardson) Hursh '69

Daughter of the Honourable James and Shirley Richardson, Carolyn was appointed Chairman of the Board, James Richardson & Sons Limited, following the AGM of April 14, 2000. Carolyn received her Bachelor and Masters of Social Work followed by an extensive career in the Social Research field. She became Director of the Firm in 1991 and since 1998, she has presided as Chairman of the JRSL Audit Committee. Congratulations!

1970s

Karen (Purves) Folkard '77

Karen has been living in Georgia for 18 years and has spent most of it in education. First, she taught French in the high schools and now she is teaching ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages). She teaches in a Middle School and absolutely loves it! "The children have taught me so much too!"

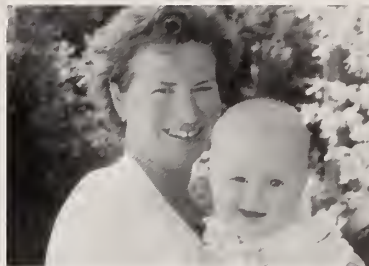
Clare Koo '79

Clare graduated with a B.A. from the U of Toronto majoring in Urban Planning. Today, she works in Mississauga as a technologist for an engineering firm doing designing and drafting. She is married with three daughters ages 13 and 11 (identical twins). She asks that those with E-mail contact her through the BH Alumnae E-mail Directory at www.balmoralhall.com

Kim Abbott-Middleton '79

Kim contacted the Alumnae Office in September to update us on her life since BH. She has lived in England for the past 14 years after training to become a midwife. She has two gorgeous daughters, Becky (12) and Sarah (7), and hopes to move back to Winnipeg sometime in the future. Looking forward to the Centennial Reunion she writes, "I apologise to those with whom I've lost touch, time passes so quickly but I think of my Balmoral Hall days often. My memories are all happy ones and I look forward to the day that I will see so many dear friends again! Until then, you can find me in cyberspace." To get in touch with Kim, find her on the BH Alumnae E-mail Directory found at www.balmoralhall.com

1980s



Barbara Leach-Walters '81

Tannis (Leach) Nuttall '83 writes, "My sister Barb had a baby girl on Jan 13, 2000 named Augusta Samantha Leach Walters. She and her husband Simon call her Samantha. As the aunt, I prefer to irritate my sister and call her "Gussy." Barb, Simon and Samantha live in London, England." Barb's e-mail address is Barb@leach-walters.freeserve.co.uk and she would be happy to hear from classmates.



Megan Jessiman '83

Megan's daughter, Katharine, just started Kindergarten at a girls' school in New York City. "Katharine wanted to hear all about my school. Taking her to BH this summer was a great trip down memory lane. I found myself telling her in excruciating detail all about things I hadn't thought of in years: swing tag strategy, sliding on the frosty sides of the glass passage's floor and peering over the banister in the Junior School stairwell to see if Mrs. Larrett had put out the cookies for recess."



Maria Lutz '85

Maria and her husband had their first baby, Bronwyn Lutz-Greenhow on Christmas Day in 1999. "We are loving being new parents!" Maria returned to work part-time in the spring at their business in Vancouver, Over the Moon Chocolate Company, and in October 2000 they celebrated their 9th year in business! "And yes, I still love chocolate!!"

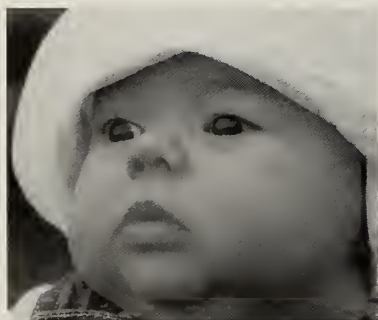


Margo (Leach) Vergottis '87

Margo and husband Gerassimos are doing well after the birth of their daughter. Born September 6, 2000 she has no name yet but her nickname is Pixelle – the french version of Pixel (from the pictures downloaded on e-mail). Mom (Gail Allman Leach '59) is in Athens with them right now as the "nanny"! Margo is registered on the Alumnae E-mail Directory and would love to hear from classmates.

Jennifer Buechel '88

Jenn left Kraft and Toronto to move to San Francisco! She was working for a Logistics start-up called NONSTOP Solutions and in September, started her dual Masters degree in Business Administration and Engineering at Stanford University. "I'd love to hear from any BH alums passing through the San Francisco/Palo Alto area (you can bunk with me in residence!)" Find Jennifer's E-mail address on the Alumnae E-mail Directory at www.balmoralhall.com



Darlene (Andison) Burke '88

Darlene and her husband Gibbons had their first child Isabel Levert Burke on July 3, 2000. She weighed 7 lbs at birth, was 19 inches long and she is already online at www.io.com/gibbonsb/baby. "We are all doing well even if suffering from a lack of sleep! We are truly blessed. Given the recent birth of our daughter, I am currently on maternity leave from my position as Senior Manager, International Business Implementation at E*TRADE Group, Inc. and will be on leave until early November. I have been in touch with several classmates via E-mail, many of whom are engaged to be married and having children themselves."

Susan (Cramp) Hester '88

Susan and husband Rob are thrilled to announce the birth of their first child, Aidan Daniel. He was born on March 25, 2000 at 7lb. 15 oz. and 21 inches.

Carrie Lazarenko '88

Living in Windsor, Ontario for the past 4 years, Carrie works with CHUM group Radio in both Windsor and Detroit Michigan as an advertising and media planner, representing four radio stations. "Enjoying living out east, but miss keeping up with friends and family at home. I generally get back to Winnipeg to visit twice a year or more often when possible. Still great friends with Jackie Vocadlo-Jennings '88 and staying in touch with Darlene (Andison) Burke '88 occasionally via E-mail. Significant other of 3 1/2 years is Pierre, a more 'quiet' individual than myself who is an actuary in Detroit."



Naomi (Ito) Mochizuki '89

Living in Japan, Naomi was married to Takahiro Mochizuki last May. They now have a baby boy, Sho. "He smiles a lot...so very cute."

Takako Suzuki '89

Takako graduated from Shizuoka University with a Bachelor of Law in March. In 1998, she participated in the Ship for World Youth Program where she met more than 300 people from 14 countries on a cruise ship to promote international understanding and world friendship. She also worked in Turkey and Mozambique for the Japan Medical Disaster Relief Team. She was invited to the Imperial Palace to meet His Majesty the Emperor with team members upon her return from Turkey. She is currently studying International Relations at Waseda University in Tokyo. "I hope I will have a chance to visit BH in the near future."

1990s

Karen Shanski '90

Karen writes, "After graduating from architecture in the spring of 1999, I decided to make a move to Europe. With a one way ticket to London last June, I had no idea where or what I would find. After a week in London, I knew that it was not the place I wanted to be and went out in search of another location. My sister Kristen '88 and I travelled across to The Netherlands and once we had set foot on this similar flatland, Kristen turned to me and said: 'This is where you should be.' So for the past year, I have been living and working in Rotterdam at the Office for Metropolitan Architecture with Rem Koolhaas. The design process in the office means that we work unbelievable hours, but the trade off is that I am

involved in designing some of the most important and internationally recognized architecture. This past year has taught me that the unknown allows one to make the surreal real by starting each day with passionate courage. Sad that I could not make it to Winnipeg for the 10 year reunion, but heard from many that it was a great trip of memories. I will not miss the next one."

Monica Morberg '91

Monica has completed her Bachelor of Arts at the U of Manitoba and is presently employed as a Commercial Pilot out of Thompson flying freight and passengers.

Elinor Simons '92

Elinor was recently awarded the Resident's Research Award by the American Academy of Pediatrics. She is currently doing her residency in pediatrics at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI.

Mia Rabson '93

Mia graduated from the University of Western Ontario in June with an M.A. in Journalism and spent the summer working as a reporter for the Winnipeg Free Press. In September, she moved to Washington, D.C. to work for the Washington bureau of the Detroit News.

Tejel Patel '94

Tejel graduated from the University of Brighton in Brighton, UK in July 1999 with her Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Podiatric Medicine. She also received the award for top dissertation (Honours Degree Thesis) in her graduating class. She now has her own private practice in Winnipeg, Lakewood Foot Clinic. "I wish some more of my classmates would join the E-mail Directory. I think it's a really great way to stay in touch and I'm already looking forward to our 10 year reunion in 2004!"

Shaila Seshia '94

Shaila has completed her first year of her M.Phil at the University of Sussex and is currently undertaking an internship in Bangalore, India.

Shelley Chalmers '96

Shelley is currently living in Victoria and is in her last term of school at UVic receiving her BFA degree in Professional Writing with a film studies minor. She is extensively involved in photojournalism and has covered events such as the WTO riots in Seattle as well as local Victoria news events. She also writes for a UVic creative non-fiction paper called *Third Space*. Next summer, she hopes to do an overseas internship at a magazine or publishing company in Britain or France, and then continue on with her studies in September 2001 doing a MA at Ryerson. "I am happy, looking ahead to my future and hope all my fellow grads of '96 are doing as well as I am."

Sunita Seshia '96

Sunita has completed her B.Sc at University of British Columbia and is living and working in Whistler for a year. Having also obtained her certification as a snowboard instructor, she hopes to put this to good use!

Sarah Carter '98

Sarah has completed the first year of her four-year Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatrical Studies at Ryerson.

Alexis Cloutier '98

Alexis attended the 50th US Handball Association National Championships on June 10th. She was a finalist in the Girls 19 and under category and won the Women's B Seniors Consolation First Place. Congratulations Alexis!

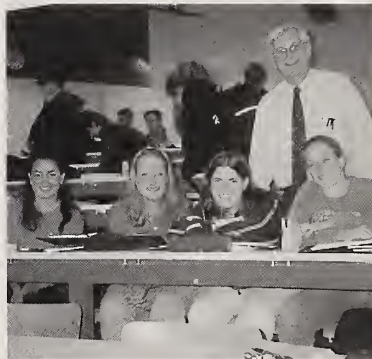
Melanie Hawranik '98

Melanie is currently at the University of Manitoba in the Nursing Degree program. She retired from the Bison's Swim Team due to an injury which she says was very upsetting, but she has managed to keep up with the sport. Three years ago, she founded a swim team in Beausejour and has been coaching ever since. She is also a lifeguard and swimming instructor in Beausejour for the fifth year. Her sister Marcie has returned to BH for Senior 3 and she wishes everyone at BH a great school year!

2000

Erin Palmer '00

Erin was selected to participate in the Tall Ships Millennium Challenge. The challenge was sponsored by the Federal Government to celebrate the millennium and for young Canadians to participate in the race. Five hundred people from several countries around the world participated starting from South Ampton, England to Bermuda, across to Virginia, up the coast to Halifax and back to England. The trip took ten days and participants not only learned how to sail, but were taught leadership and team building skills. Erin was aboard one of the Canadian ships "Eye of the Wind."



Class of 2000

Georgia Louridas, Laura Fletcher, Dawn Shanski and Erin Palmer eased into university with a welcome comfort. After graduating 42S Calculus with Mr. K, they migrated into Intro Calculus with Professor Korytowski. I guess that old saying holds true...things never change!

Former Staff

Madame Dammerman, 1975-97

"Greetings to my former students and colleagues! to assure you that I am well and happy. My energy level and joie de vivre have not diminished since I left BH. Just returned from the Himalayas and Thailand. The next plan is 'roughing it in Africa!' I should welcome news from you. I'm still in the Winnipeg phone book. A bientôt."



Lisa Fraser, 1997-2000

It truly was a beautiful day on August 12, 2000 when many family members and friends joined Lisa and Darrell Gilmore in the celebration of their marriage. The wedding party dressed in a nautical theme joined the bride, groom and twins Hannah and Harrison at the Lake of the Woods Yacht Club. Surrounded by clear blue water, wild flowers, stars, moons and candles, all in attendance had a wonderful evening.

Home for the Holidays

All Alumnae from 1996 to 2001 are invited to a party on Wednesday, December 20th. Watch for your invitation or keep checking the School's website for details.

In Memoriam

Mary-Lynn (Folliott) Carruthers '63 – April 17, 2000

Lynn passed away in April in Nepean, Ontario. She will be missed by her classmates.

Elizabeth Clough '64 – March 1, 2000

Elizabeth had a strong interest in art, music, literature and theatre. She was a long-time employee of the Toronto Star, most recently in their library.

Nancie (Tooley) Mauro RLS '47 – March 22, 2000

Nancie had numerous close and long time friends, dating back from her time at Rupert's Land School. She will be missed.

Helen Ralston – May 27, 2000

Miss Ralston taught at Rupert's Land School in the 1930s. In the 1940s she moved to Toronto to teach at Bishop Strachan College. Several of her former students attended her Memorial Service. Taken in 1988, this photograph shows Miss Ralston on the left with Miss Dorothy Bussell, another former teacher of Rupert's Land.



Diane Mary (Holden) McDonald – June 14, 2000

Diane served as Chairman of the BH Mother's Auxiliary and her husband J. Hugh MacDonald continues to serve on the School's Advisory Committee. She leaves her children Donald, Elizabeth Gage '78, Gillian Quinn '82, Heidi McSweeney '84 and Heather Stefanson '88.

Lois (Parkhill) MacKenzie RIV '45 – July 1, 2000

After a year long battle with leukemia, Lois passed away at the Headwaters Hospital in Orangeville, Ontario. She grew up in Winnipeg and attended Riverbend before studying at the University of Manitoba.



Mary Cecilia (Denison) Stevenson RLS '26 – July 10, 2000

At the age of 92, Cecily passed away peacefully leaving her husband of over 70 years Jack, children, 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren who all referred to her with great affection as "Mimi."

Anne (Cunningham) Black RLS '43 – August 2000

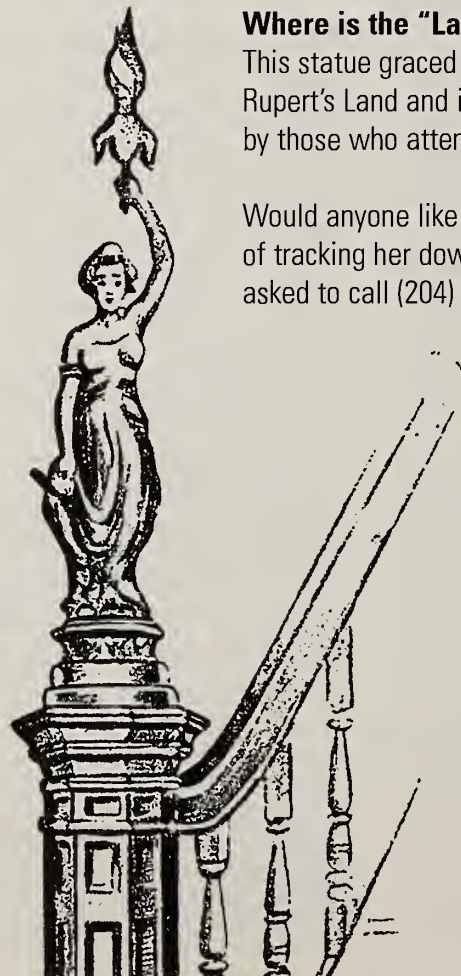
Head Girl of Rupert's Land in 1943, Anne died in August at her home in Bradford on Avon in England. On leaving the University of Manitoba, she went to Paris for a year on an art scholarship. Her interesting working life included work as a journalist in Canada, work with the information service of NATO in London and Paris, as a research assistant in London, and, having trained in Social Services, as a social worker in England's West Country. Sylvia Turner, her English mistress wrote in the school magazine that "Anne has a store of quiet humour, a quizzical eye for the droll, a capacity for friendship, high ideals, a sense of values." Relatives from Scotland and friends from near and far gathered for the funeral which was truly a celebration of Anne's life.



Where is the "Lady with the Lamp?"

This statue graced the reception hall at Rupert's Land and is fondly remembered by those who attended the school.

Would anyone like to take on the challenge of tracking her down? All detectives are asked to call (204) 784-1603.



*illustration by
Anne (Cunningham)
Black RLS '43*

Pen & Paper or E-mail...we would love to hear from you!

We are always interested in hearing from our alumnae – personal and academic achievements, marriage, change of address, births, deaths, appointments, promotions, travel, and all of your BH memories.

(Remember, a picture is worth a thousand words! We accept photos by e-mail too)

In preparation for the Centennial Reunion in 2002, we have been updating our records and looking for our lost alumnae. Please fill out this revised form so that we can have the most current and accurate information on our database.

First Name: _____	Entered School in Grade: _____
Last Name: _____	Left School in Grade: _____ In 19____ Class of (Grade 12): _____
Maiden Name: _____	House: _____
Spouse's Name: _____	I was <input type="checkbox"/> in residence <input type="checkbox"/> a ballet student <input type="checkbox"/> a Prefect:
Address: _____	
City/Province: _____	Post Secondary Education: _____
Postal Code: _____	
Country: _____	
Telephone: () _____	Degree(s): _____
E-mail: _____	
	Occupation: _____
	Employer: _____
	<i>(feel free to attach your business card)</i>

Have you lost touch with your classmates?

Check out the BH website at www.balmoralhall.com for the new Alumnae E-mail Directory. This secure directory allows alumnae to add their e-mail address, search for classmates and friends, and receive updates on BH events.

Please complete this form and mail or fax to:

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Winnipeg MB R3C 3S1
Tel: (204) 784-1603 Fax: (204) 774-5534
Or e-mail us at alumnae@balmoralhall.com

Parents of Alumnae:

If this publication is addressed to an alumna who no longer maintains a permanent address at your home, please notify the Development & Alumnae Office of her new mailing address. Thank you!



Sarah Coates, Laura Fletcher, Maegan Rutherford, Candice Donnelly and Kelly Tse, members of the Class of 2000.

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